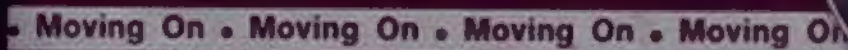


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Getting Set

The school is an important part of Pocahontas County. Traditionally, it has been the site of some of the few social functions and sports events. The rural atmosphere makes the extra curricular diversions all the more important. Yet, the school is also a place to study and learn, to grow up and become independent, to shape the future and to progress—for ultimately we all must be moving on.

Right, Lori Wilfong waits for an explanation from Mrs. Pam Sharpes, teacher. Lunch time can provide a good opportunity for socializing with friends.



A desk piled with nine week projects ready to be graded is almost overwhelming to a teacher. Mr. Robert Sheets rests for a moment.



Meg Crickenberger, senior, stays warm in a quilted coat, a popular fashion trend of the winter of 1979-80. On the ground is a March snow which typified this winter of mild early weather followed by a spring of snowstorms, rain and near flooding.

To learn to properly question is one of the objects of all good education. Lowell Galford, junior, ponders what he is hearing in his classroom before he argues a point.



Melinda Beverage, Charma Roy, Karen Swiger and Angie Pyles use their few free minutes of lunch shift to study for a chemistry quiz and to help each other bone up on signs, equations and formulas.

David Eary, freshman, and Mr. Allan Johnson, math teacher, pause for a few moments of discussion during the lunch period. All teachers were required to do hall duty one day a week during lunch.

Making Strides

During the past decade the school has managed to find a pace and set a stride. Days and years slipped by with amazing speed, yet time moved so smoothly that on one was left breathless from its passing.

The passage of time may be measured by the striking of a clock, the light and dark of days and nights, the hot and cold of summer and winter, or the torn pages of a calendar. But, the best way to measure time is by the changes in the faces of those around you. Just as a mirror reflects what is before it, a face expresses what has gone before. The joys and sorrows that the years have brought will eventually be etched in each face.

Yet, time stops for no one and it leaves no one unscathed. Pocahontas County High School is also affected by time and must flow with it just as all things must.

According to Kepler's third Law of Motion an object that has been set in motion will continue to move until or unless it is stopped by another object or force. So far, nothing has gotten in the way of PCHS.

Old-time music was heard in the halls during a Thursday morning activity period when a group of teachers played together. Mr. Mike Burns, forestry teacher, is a fiddle player for the group. He was hired in the middle of the year to replace Mr. Don Flegel who left the school to accept a position with the Soil Conservation Service.

Freshman Carolyn McKinney is found quietly contemplating her inner thoughts. She may be thinking about a research paper that is due the next day, a homework paper that is due the next period, or maybe even about the boyfriend she hopes to see. Her expression gives no clues as to what is actually on her mind.



Reading and talking help Dwana Hise and Deloris Queen, both sophomores, pass the time as they wait for their first period home economics class to begin. The inevitable photographer receives a probing look as she attempts to catch her subjects without making them aware of her presence.





Laura Howell, varsity cheerleader, concentrates on a cheer and the basketball game while standing on the sidelines at a PCHS home game.

The students who are lucky enough to be first in the lunch lines often have time to join friends and play a game of basketball before the bell rings.



Sophomores Lois Hogan and Shelly Deike dissect a frog in one of Mrs. Sharpes' biology classes. Every sophomore is required to take biology, and dissecting a frog is one of the requirements of the class.

Starting To Move

*In a little over ten years a piece of land near Dunmore has gone from part of a farm to the only site of secondary education in Pocahontas County.

These rural surroundings give the school ample room for expansion and a vast natural study area that has the potential to offer a wide variation of places and subjects to study. In order to take advantage of the natural surroundings and the study opportunities they offer, a nature trail and an outdoor classroom have been constructed.

During the years of the school's existence additions have been made to, or along side of, the original buildings. A building that now houses the forestry, carpentry, and distributive education classes was started in 1974 and completed in 1980 by students in vocational classes. In 1977 a new wing was added to the vocational building. This wing now houses the nurse's aid and drafting classes.

Increased job opportunities in the surrounding area have caused an expanded student enrollment. Rooms that were once adequate are being filled. The additional students may mean that further expansion will be seen at PCHS in the decade ahead.

The addition of bleachers, basketball goals, the curtain, the clock, the flag, and WARRIORS printed across the stage give the gym the "lived-in" appearance that has become so familiar.

This aerial photograph shows the site of the school prior to the building's construction. The X marks the exact site of the building. The surrounding roads and boundaries are also indicated.

The gym is pictured as it looked just after the consolidated high school was finished. It still lacks a few finishing touches. In fact, basketball practice would have been rather difficult with no goals.



Taking a short cut across the grass would have been totally impossible just after the construction of the school was completed. A lot of unappealing mud surrounded the school while the growth of grass was still forthcoming.



Nature may abound in the school's surroundings, but on the grounds close to the building trees, shrubs, and grass are having a hard time existing. The small, scraggly trees in the foreground cannot compare with the tall green ones in the background. The trees near the building, though, were planted less than ten years ago while the others are much older.



Can you tell what is missing from this picture? The forestry building, the new vocational wing, and the hill down to the football field are a few. The parking lot and grounds may not look quite right either. This picture is an artist's rendition of the school that was drawn before the school was built.

Marking Time

Time doesn't seem to change some things and one event that has remained as a school highlight through many decades past is Homecoming.

The 1979 Homecoming ceremonies were held on a cold, rainy evening during the half-time of a PCHS-Man football game on October 5. June Taylor and escort, Tony Beverage, senior, were crowned Queen and King.

The Warriors went down to defeat in a hard-fought battle against Man with a score of 21-14.

"Man said we were the hardest hitting team they had played and that we had the most yardage against their defense this year," said Coach Elmer Friel.

During the half-time ceremonies, the queen's court and their escorts were also introduced.

At right June Taylor beams at the crowd after being crowned as Homecoming Queen.

Members of the queen's court were Sam Helmick and Irene White, juniors; Chuck Workman and Cara Hefner, freshmen; Ronnie Hall and Russ Ann Poling, seniors and second runners-up; June Taylor and Tony Beverage; Debbie Dean and Jeff Burns, senior, first runners-up; Melanie Rose and Scott Millican seniors; Cindy Smith and Tony Valencia, sophomores.





The Homecoming Court waits in the bleachers for the half-time ceremonies.

A Decade Past

Nostalgia as well as excitement permeate the atmosphere of a Homecoming celebration, and Homecoming ten years ago at PCHS was no exception. Homecoming queen was Cathy Summers with escort Frank Long. The young attendants mark the passage of time for they are Scott Howell, freshman, and Angie Hefner, sophomore.



The cheerleaders prepared a special entrance for the football team on Homecoming night.

The Warrior supportive bench waits to be called into the game.



Warrior spirit hit an all time low during the last half of basketball season. Due to conflicts between the players and coach, four varsity team members handed in their uniform with three games remaining. Kevin Workman, junior, takes a shot to bring the Warriors from an early six point deficit in the first quarter against Tucker County.



Five days of suspension. It is the first offense sentence smokers face if caught with tobacco on school grounds. Teresa Scott, senior, risks the wrath of the administration by lighting up a cigarette in the bathroom during lunch.

A constant battle is waged in trying to keep scuff marks caused by street shoes off the gym floor. But during lunch, faster speed is gained by cutting across the floor and the battle loses ground.



Moving On

When three local high schools consolidated into PCHS ten years ago, one concern of the public was if past rivalries could be forgotten and members of a newly formed student body would be able to pull together and act as one. They did, and those early days at PCHS were probably the most tranquil of its existence.

But as the school's tenth anniversary was celebrated in 1980 internal controversies became apparent. Early in the year a fight erupted between "jocks" and "non-jocks" over excessive freshmen hazing. Could the athletes really police the halls? And was it only "non-jocks" hazing freshmen?

The athletic department experienced its greatest turmoil. No one seemed to want to coach girls' sports, and the boys' varsity teams found that glory was not in never failing, but in rising after each defeat. Basketball season ended minus eight members who quit in protest of unequal playing time.

The school also saw the impeachment of its Student Council president, the removal of the smoking area and then the resultant expulsion of many students for smoking illegally on school grounds.

Great things are achieved only when obstacles have been met and overcome. Controversy is an obstacle

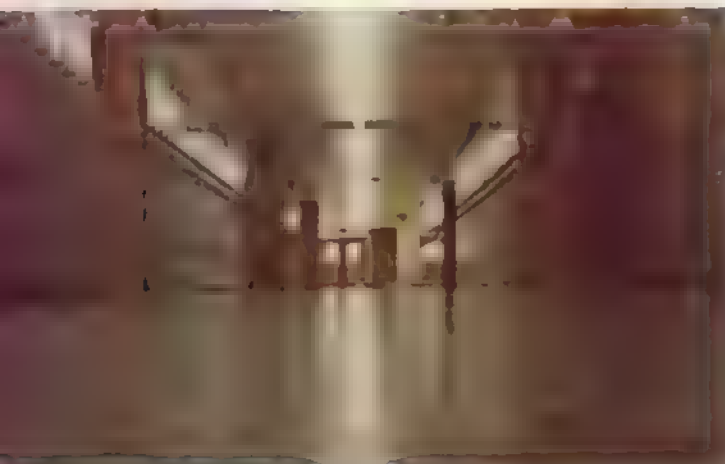
which brings about new concepts and ultimate change. At a time when issues should have been worked out, students faced the new decade with uncertainty and found themselves covering lost ground. But wisdom is learned much more from failure than from success. Through the wisdom gained during the past year, Warriors will keep moving on.

The teacher walkout March 21 cancelled classes for the day but for Mark Jonese and Sam Helmick, juniors, the missed work could be done another day.



Waiting in long lunch lines, eating and making it to class on time often cannot be accomplished in under three minutes. Patricia Kellison, senior, reflects on what needs to be done for upcoming classes.

Empty corridors and dark rooms can be seen any day after school but rarely are they visible on a scheduled school day. The scene was somber as teachers walked out and cancelled classes in protest of a low pay raise.







That's Life

"So the more things remain the same the more they change after all . . ." (John Knowles)

Football games, dances, Homecoming and Prom nights have been a part of student life for years. However, over the years a lot of things have changed

Fashions, slang, social attitudes and numerous other aspects of school life have altered drastically — even in the ten short years that our school has been in existence.

Change will continue to happen whether or not it is welcome.

Beauty Titles Decline

The popularity of beauty contests declined during the last decade. Women are no longer given a title every time the weather changes. The school year of 1970-71 recognized over 13 girls as beauty winners. The number declined to five this year. This sudden shift of emphasis can be directly linked to the Equal Rights Amendment. Today's woman does not rely on physical beauty alone, but seeks to win on the basis of her proven poise, talent and intelligence.

Carol McNeill, Miss Pocahontas, poses for a picture with Eugene Simmons, Master of Ceremonies at the pageant.



Looking Back

The little twin Indian girls below may look familiar because they are Debbie and Cindy Smith now sophomores. They were attendants to Mr. and Miss Warrior of 1974, Kenny Arbogast and Terry Akers.

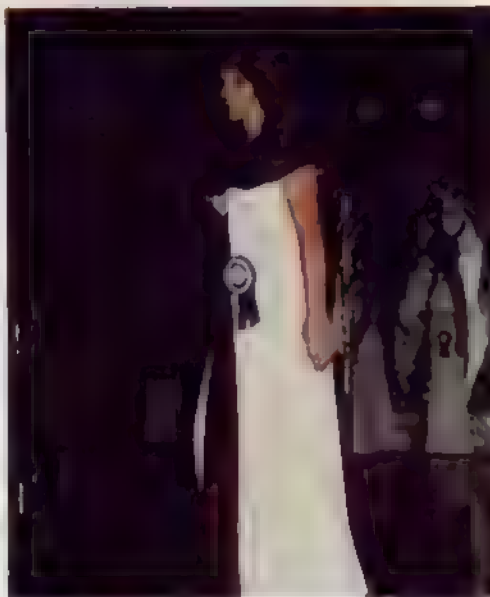


Debbie Dean, senior, was elected last year to represent PCHS in the regional Junior Miss Contest in Lewisburg.



Left, Candy Harper, senior, won first-runner up to Miss Pocahontas, 1979. Candy also took second place in the talent contest with her modern ballet routine.

The Letterman's Club revived an old PCHS tradition this year by selecting a Mr. and Miss Warrior for basketball season. Here Mike Garber and Melanie Rose are recognized at a game.



Theresa Workman, senior, was a contestant in the Miss Pocahontas Pageant.

Jane Pritchard, 1978 Miss Pocahontas, crowns Carol McNeill, senior, the pageant winner.

Busy Warriors Do Their Jobs

Individuals' demands for money rise as fast as the national rate of inflations, and for Warriors, extra spending money is always needed.

To make up for the shortage of funds, many PCHS students traded in their blue jeans and t-shirts for a double knit uniform or dress pants and a tie. Working after school and on weekends they bag groceries, stock shelves, do janitorial work, prepare fast foods, wait tables and much more to satisfy their customers and earn extra cash.

But there are also jobs to be done at school which do not involve money. Running errands, typing, grading

papers and recording daily papers for busy teachers occupies the time of student aides.

Classes fall into another category of job opportunities. The making of a yearbook, the layout of a newspaper or the preparation of a band concert requires not only patience but dedication. Unfortunately, work put in after school hours to complete a project or practice for competitions does not earn time and a half pay for those involved.

To ensure the recovery of stolen goods, identifying property has become popular. Green Wookhouse junior, engraves machines in the prep room.



Punching tickets, collecting money and keeping an accurate count of people eating lunch are all part of Teresa Stewart's job in the cafeteria.



Meeting different people is one advantage of a summer or part-time job. Tony Beverage, senior, uses up a customer while bagging groceries.

Pushing the right buttons on a cash register becomes automatic for Vera Wade, senior, as she works part time and during the summer for extra money. As classes for seniors become increasingly difficult to find, signing up as a teacher's aide is popular. June Taylor, senior, works in the guidance office, below.



Taking a minute to look up, Jackie Sharp, senior, is trying to complete a story for a newspaper deadline. Typing, proofreading, spacing and pasting down the final layout are all jobs that must be done in order to see that the paper is printed and distributed on schedule.

Will 80's Bring Chic Surprises?

When looking back at how radically styles changed over the last four decades, one wonders what the 80s will dictate to be "appropriate dress." Will we be wearing spray on body paint instead of blue jeans and T-shirts? Will there be astronaut-style suits and disposable apparel? How about soil-resistant and weather proof outfits?

It's interesting to note that in the last few years young men and women have returned to styles their parents wore as much as forty years ago. At that time the big fashion for girls was tight slitted skirts and pull over sweaters while the guys wore straight leg pants and stiffly starched shirts.

Things changed in the next ten years when girls switched to bobby socks, saddle oxfords, pleated skirts and boys then wore T-shirts, sunglasses and loafers.

Then came the late 60s. What a decade! Girls dressed in mini skirts and white go-go boots and the fellas, much to their parents annoyance, let their hair grow shoulder length, wore more jewelry and sported cut off army jackets and jeans clothes.

Jan Irvine, junior, displays fashion in the form of a V neck blouse, slit skirt, tights and clogs. left. Below right Spring Shirkey, junior, hits the scene in the spring with braided hair and a floppy cap as Rosie Ellison sophomore, follows in the hall.



50's Recalled With Style

Below Tony Valencia, Bobby Simmons and Ronnie Simmons sport T-shirts and shades during the annual 50s day of Homecoming Spirit Week.



A silk blouse with a modified peter pan collar complements jeans as shown by Melinda Crist



Wearing a fashionable tailored jacket for the fall Meg Krausberger, senior, relaxs in chemistry class



Debbie Dean senior is wearing a sweater, pleated skirt and ankle wrap high heels, a fashion of 1979



Hooded woolen coats and sweaters provide warmth and good looks to many students during the winter months. Throughout the season as the fashions rapidly change, blue jeans, bib overalls and casual shirts become standard dress apparel. Shown are Sandy Peyton, Michelle Beverage and Jenny Grimes, sophomores, and David Grogg, freshmen who are preparing to go to their homeroom classes

Great Hair

One's hair style is often an expression of personality. This hair style can remain the same for years or change on a whim. Since hair perfection is a necessity for many, some drive as far away as White Sulphur Springs to have Mr. Don McCoy, a professional stylist, give a "perfect" hair cut.

Each year Mr. McCoy comes to the high school to cut the hair of volunteers. It gives students an opportunity to observe him and talk with him about the profession. He usually brings other stylists from his shop to help demonstrate techniques of cutting and shaping hair.

Right - Bo Derek and the movie "Ten" brought a new look to the world of hair styles — cornrowing. Melinda Crist, senior, tries the new fad for a day.

Lower right - The unique and fashionable hair style of Debbie Dean, senior, is an example of many students at PCHS who choose to express their freedom by creating their own look.



Hoping she made the right decision, Sharon Beverage, senior, waits patiently as hair stylist, Don McCoy, adds the final touch.



Like it or not the changes have been made and are irreversible for Kathy Rexrode and Mike Bond sophomores, Sara Ruck, freshman, and Sharon Beverage, senior, who were subjects to new hair styles.



Mike Bond, sophomore, seems pleased as he shows off his new hair style, left. Perhaps Kathy Rexrode, sophomore, feels like a guinea pig as Don McCoy, hair stylist, demonstrates his pro ability to create a new look. Using several modernized techniques of blow drying, Don McCoy dries and styles Kathy Rexrode's, sophomore, hair at the program held in the nurse's station.

Class Breaks

Entertainment provided in the form of Antrium Bureau assemblies or band concerts costs fifty cents. And while some programs are not worthy of this expense, assemblies mean less class time which makes up for the loss of money.

Everyone believes they can master the magician including Cindy Clutter, junior. She may prove to be a believer before the feat is accomplished.

Cheering squads have the responsibility of arousing Warrior spirit at pep rallies. Varsity cheerleaders take a break to discuss this challenge.



Snow White, alias Melinda Crist, senior, awaits the dwarves' arrival during a pep rally skit.

Only a true Warrior would enter a toilet paper race. Prospective letterman Chuck Workman and Chris Jordan lead while Ernie Bratcher closes the gap.





Cindy Clutter, a student assistant, pays close attention to the magician while he prepares to "pull the wool over her eyes."



Underhanded magic is practiced by card sharks but a magician's hand is faster than the eye. An Antrim Barreau magician explains his next illusion.

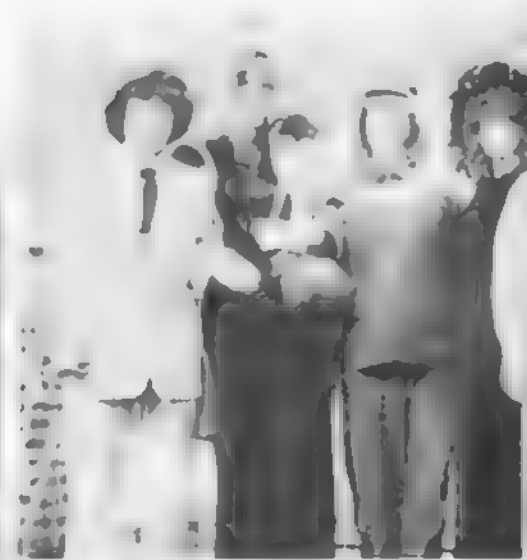
Balance, coordination and exact timing are required of cheerleaders as they execute a special mount during the Homecoming pep rally.

Camps Bring Honors

All throughout the year PCHS students were moving on to awards and ribbons. Many found that summer camps they attended and other outside experiences helped them reach goals as well as providing opportunities to meet new people and have fun.

The majorettes traveled to West Virginia Wesleyan for a four day camp where they learned and were evaluated on techniques and routines which were later used in school performances.

Kate Swiger and Donna Beverage show great concentration as they practice. Far right Chawna Carr and Byron Burgess dress up for a Halloween party. Meg Crickenberger goes over notes at camp, below.





Five journalism students went to Ohio University in June to learn newspaper and yearbook layout, copywriting and photography. These five editors received college credit for their time invested and also got to exchange ideas with many other staffs. The varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders also spent a week at camp in the summer.

Head majorette, Candy Harper, ends the final day at camp with several blue ribbons won by the squad, top left. Top right: Meg Crickenberger and Susan Vance, seniors, do homework in their room at camp.

Left, Debbie Stone, senior, works with a roll of film. Majorettes show great dedication by practicing under the hot sun. Above, they wait for their routine evaluation.

Project Completion Pays Off

In addition to regular class work, some teachers require students to do class projects which may later be entered in Social Studies fairs, math competitions or writing contests. In some classes special projects take the place of a term paper and bundles of homework.

Two sophomores chose to cook a complete Chinese meal for the teacher instead of doing a research paper. Others create village scenes and posters for a grade. The forestry class built a dam near the nature trail, the building maintenance class laid bricks on the forestry building and the electricity class wires around the school. Projects not only give the students time off from the same old grind, but they can also prove to be both fun and interesting.

King Tut, sophomore Darlene Tyree's world cultures class project, isn't quite as funky as Steve Martin but received good marks.

Tacking roofing on a building, Wayne Pollard, senior, Ricky Campbell and Keesy Walther, juniors, get first hand experience in carpentry class.





Frog muscles are carefully separated and studied by Kim Coburn and Carol Brewer in biology.

Cheryl Cutlip Brown and Jan Irvine, world cultures students, display their joint project.



Putting together a school newspaper involves a lot of hard work and dedication. Abbie Greg Friel and Candy Harper, editors of "The Smoke Signal," block stories and write headlines.

Portraying characters in a play for English class, Spring Shirley, junior, and Samuel Rittenhouse, freshman, await stage directions.



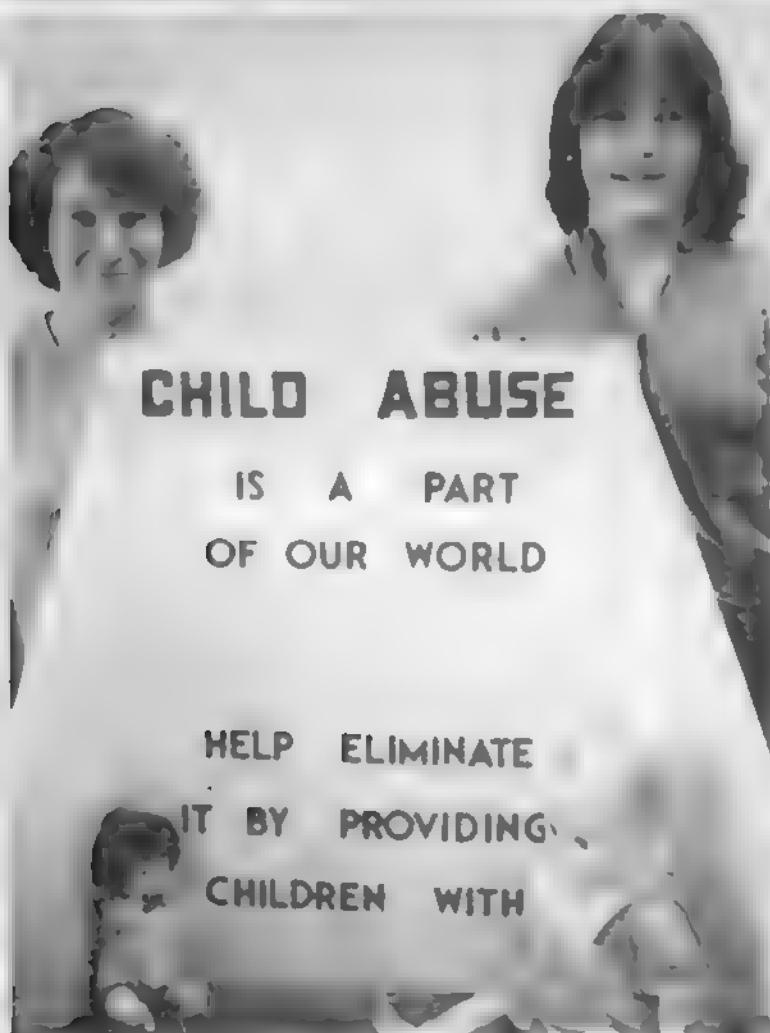
Competitive Students

Not only did students compete for ribbons and awards, they also won the opportunity to compete at higher levels. Some got to travel to such places as Charleston and Washington D.C. Sometimes a student might find he'd won in more than one competition and had to choose between the contests. They went to represent PCHS and proved they could be number one!

The Quiz-A-Matic News Bowl team defeated Spannsburg 215-100 in April. They are Mark Newkirk, sophomore, Tony Beverage and Greg Friel, seniors. Winners in the social studies fair are Debbie Nottingham and Jack Cummins, right. Not shown is Scott Howell who was also a winner. Sharon Jordan and Elaine Kelley, Student Council members, went to South Harrison High School for an exchange program sponsored by the South Harrison Student Council.



Move On To Awards



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Seniors named as National Merit Semi-Finalists are Meg Criskenberger, Anne Burns, Greg Friel and Debbie Stone. top left Greg was also chosen as a WV delegate to the United States Youth Program. Placing second in public speaking at the FHA-HERO conference is Donna Warner, freshman, top right

Danise Coleman and Cindy Shank, sophomores, are shown with their project that placed first in the education display competition at the FHA-HERO conference, left Brenda Curry, freshman, displays her pyramid project that won first place at the regional III FHA meeting. She also won first place in West Virginia on a Bible facts test and will compete at regional level, above

Spirit Inspired With Apparel

It is a tradition to celebrate Spirit Week the five days before Homecoming game. During this week students dress in costumes according to daily themes, decided by the cheerleaders, to show their spirit. Probably the most enjoyed event of the week is the spirit skit at the end of the pep rally. With the cheerleaders leading the cheer, each class tries to out-yell the others to win the spirit stick, awarded at the end of the rally. The sophomores won the spirit stick, while seniors won the total week's spirit award.

Ton Sawyer is actually Sara Oliver, sophomore. Dressed in her shirt dress and bobby socks, Mrs. Fliegel watches across the gym floor, far right.



Performing a Snow White skit during the Homecoming annual pep rally, seniors, Tony Beverage, Anne Burns, Anita Oliver, Theresa Workman, Ronnie Hall and Elaine Kelley show their spirit

Directing the Pops Group, Mr. Charles Fauber, band director, is dressed in his cardigan sweater and peg leg pants, far left. Given the opportunity, it seems guys sometimes like to dress as girls. These beauties are Tony Beverage and Ronnie Hall.



Charmie Roy, Melinda Beverage and Debbie Nottingham, Pops Group members, sing to music of the '50's, left. Preparing to capture and keep some '50's day memories, senior, Russ Ann Poling, adjusts her camera, above.

Spring Brings Arrival

On March 27, the 1980 English Exchange Program began when fourteen English students and sponsor, Pete Radcliff, arrived at the John F. Kennedy Airport, in New York. After spending the night at the Hotel Taft, they got up early the next morning and went on a tour of the major attractions of New York City. Then they boarded a plane and flew for four hours to Charleston.

Right. Going fishing? No. David Warner and Bobbi Nottingham stand by their English exchange guests. Far right. Mr. Bob Sheets and Pete Radcliff take time out to relax on a bench.

English exchange students try to rest on the grass during one of their trips, below.



Of English Students

English exchange students and their hosts take time to "check things out" at the airport, below



There they were met by their respective hosts. They remained here for approximately 1 month touring, learning and enjoying the experience of visiting a foreign country

David Howe and Ruth Todd, English exchange students, take time out during one of their many trips to set on a park bench and enjoy the sun



The English students participating in the exchange program were front row: Janet Bush, Sally Jones, Sally Anne Nightingale, Deborah Jacob, Ruth Tidd, Gillian Outerson, Joanne Key. Back row: Christopher Knowles, Stephen O'Leary, David Howe, Charles Sheldon, James Dance, Simon Gibbons, and Mr. Peter Radcliff, group leader. They arrived on March 27 from Hayes, England, and were met at John F. Kennedy Airport. In New York by their host students. While in New York, they went on a tour of the major attractions in New York City.



Lori Crist, junior, examines candles sold by the band to raise money. far left An injured hand doesn't keep freshman, Earl Ogden, from displaying a smile as he sits in the main office, left Taking a break from their daily school routine, Gypsy Woodhouse, junior, Anita Oliver, senior, and Carol Brockway, freshman, get ready to take off on a motorcycle in the parking lot, below



Students, Teachers Work Toward Future Goals

In order to keep moving on to better opportunities and future goals, students and teachers need to have many kinds of good working relationships.

For instance, when the English Exchange Program needed money, the men teachers and the senior guys worked together to raise funds by playing a game of basketball. The faculty and FBIA club also organized a money-raising pie throw for money for the March of Dimes.

Mrs. Reta Rose, PE teacher, tries to get someone's attention at an activity night, right. Todd Morgan flies through the air with a determined look as he comes up against Mr. Rick Pennypacker at the senior/teacher game, far right.

Exhibiting a good student-teacher relationship, Mr. Bertie Vandevender, electronics teacher, and students complete a class assignment, below.





Teacher cheerleaders provide students with a few minutes of humor as they cheer the teachers to a victory

Dolly Parton (Pat Keller, World Culture teacher) dances with senior, Robbie McNabb before the game, below

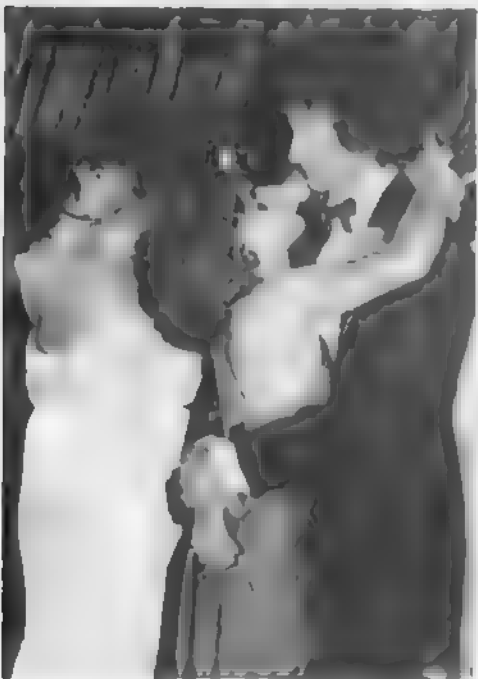


On the move against the teachers, senior, Robbie McNabb goes up for two points as Mr Pennypacker gets set for the rebound, far left Cora Lee Wyatt, accountant, keeps on smiling even though people are always interrupting her typing and money counting, bottom left

Mr. Elmer Friel, Driver Education teacher, tests sophomore, Brett Withers' eyesight during class, upper middle Mrs Linda Snyder, Learning Center teacher, discusses class work with students

Scarcity of chairs does not present a huge catastrophe for Ronae Hall and Cindy Smith as they find one seat more cozy.

Sounds of music could be heard even in the parking lot as Spectrum filled the gym with a variety of music styles.



Intervals between dances allow time for light hearted conversations at side tables while dancing gives couples such as Vera Wade and Bart Hively time to themselves.

Long lines formed not around the refreshments but at the photographer as couples bided their time for a picture.



Cyanic Hues Set Tone

After crossing the entrance bridge, reality was left behind as the sound of music and the vision of star-filled nights invaded one's mind. Leading to the center of the gymnasium and up toward the stars was a silver, spiral stairway.

This was the first impression of "Stairway to Heaven," the theme of the 1980 prom. Shades of blue and silver ornaments transformed the gym into a unique dance floor. Table decorations contained champagne glasses surrounded by angel hair. Dangling stars became popular souvenirs as streamers shook and fell away from the wall.

Proms come and go without too

much change. With formal fashions coming in style, tuxedos were popular with guys and could be seen anywhere. Tux rentals often meant missing school to pick them up.

A prom wouldn't be complete without a small amount of good-humored mischief. An ingenious group of juniors, lacking for souvenirs, tipped the spiral stairway, stripped it of decorations and left it standing for the remaining time.

Success of a prom not only requires hard work from juniors, but also enthusiasm on the part of class sponsors. Coach Rick Pennypacker, senior sponsor, and his wife waltz away the evening.



Decorations began to come down and jackets came off as the heat intensified in the gym. Rocky Barlow and Barbara McNease ease up during a slow number as Tony Beverage uses the time to steal a kiss.

Timet automatically changed from a table decoration to fashion accessories. Stephanie Hammons and Sam Mitchell, juniors, guard their treasures while keeping an eye on the dance floor.

Dramas Are Presented

Plays were presented before the student body on May 19 by Mrs. Virginia Shafer's fourth and fifth period classes.

The fourth period class, under the direction of Anne Burns, senior, presented an adaption of "The Still Alarm" by Kaufman. Only the seniors in the class had speaking roles in the play, but the underclassmen helped behind the scenes. The play is a drawing room-type comedy about two women in a building that is burning down. Smoke was even provided by the crew to give a realistic accent to the production. Elaine Kelley played Helen Jamison, Joyce Hamrick played Barbara, John Simmons was a fiddle-toting fireman and Pat Kellison was a messenger. Paul Murphy, Perry Murphy, Houston Hambley, Darlene Tyree, Jamie Burks and Irene White worked with make-up, props and set design.

"The Valiant," a drama by Hall and Middleton was presented by the fifth period class. Meg Crickenberger, senior, directed the play about a man condemned to die. Debbie Dean portrayed Josephine Parr, Tony Beverage played James Dyke, the prisoner, Bobby Simmons was Warden Holt and Sharon Jordan filled the part of Father Daly. Jack Cummins was a guard, Sandy Wetherholt was Mrs. Wilson, while Donna Warner, Lisa Leptish, Beverly Underwood, Chen Jevise, Theresa Shinaberry, Robby Waugh, Carolyn McKenney, Boone Starks, Sara Wagner and Marvin Sharp worked with make-up, set design, props, and lighting. Mr. Sam Taylor's carpentry and Mr. Rick Ziegler's electricity classes helped with the set, lighting and sound system.

Sophomore Jack Cummins presented a challenge for the make-up crew of "The Valiant." He was transformed into a curly-headed black guard.



The condemned prisoner James Dyke - played by senior Tony Beverage - sits in the warden's office in a scene from "The Valiant."

John Simmons, senior, played a symphonic fireman in "The Still Alarm." His uniform was an authentic one borrowed from the Marlinton Fire Department.



An emotion-filled moment is shared by Tony Beverage (James Dyke) and Debbie Dean who played the part of an 18-year-old, Josephine Paris, who was searching for her brother

Father Daly and the prison warden, portrayed by Bob Simmons, discuss the condemned man in a scene from "The Valiant"



Seniors Elaine Kelley and Joyce Hamrick play Barbara and Helen. They talk calmly while the building they are in proceeds to burn down in the comedy - farce, "The Still Alarm."





Hard At Work

Much emphasis is placed on extra-curricular activities, but academics is the main reason for the school's existence

The school's curriculum has advanced rapidly during the past ten years. The social studies and English departments have adopted a system of phasing. The social studies department has also pioneered a new program in future studies. Another innovation is the new drafting and mechanical drawing class that has been added to the vocational curriculum in recent years.

The academic area of the school is, by no means, through growing. Next year, an additional class period will be added which will enable students to take a larger range of classes and the school to offer a greater variety of study areas.

Diverse Topics Offer Variety

Shakespeare, slang, research, rehearsals and headaches have one thing in common: English.

It is the only required four-year course and is often described as being boring, entertaining, educational or as an all-around pain by those who despise it.

Facial cleansing is the first step in make up care as Nancy, from *The Esquire*, applies evening colors on Connie Foster during drama class.

This little old lady is better known as Irene White, junior. In preparation for a play, Darlene Tyree shadows in aging wrinkles to Irene's eyes.

Class projects occupy students' time as they rush to finalize and even begin papers due the next day. Courses offered in Shakespeare sent phase three classes to Beckley theater to view "*Romco and Juliet*". Drama classes during fourth nine weeks presented two plays in front of the student body.

In addition to Latin and French classes, semantics, the study of word meanings, gave students the opportunity to study and evaluate slang words used in Pocahontas County.



While Phyllis Grogg ponders an early question, Mark Newkirk breezes through a Latin test as Father Roy Lombard calmly awaits its completion.





"The Last Menagerie" holds the attention of some phase three drama students but for others such as John Barton and Ken Underwood, juniors, closing up early has its own advantages.

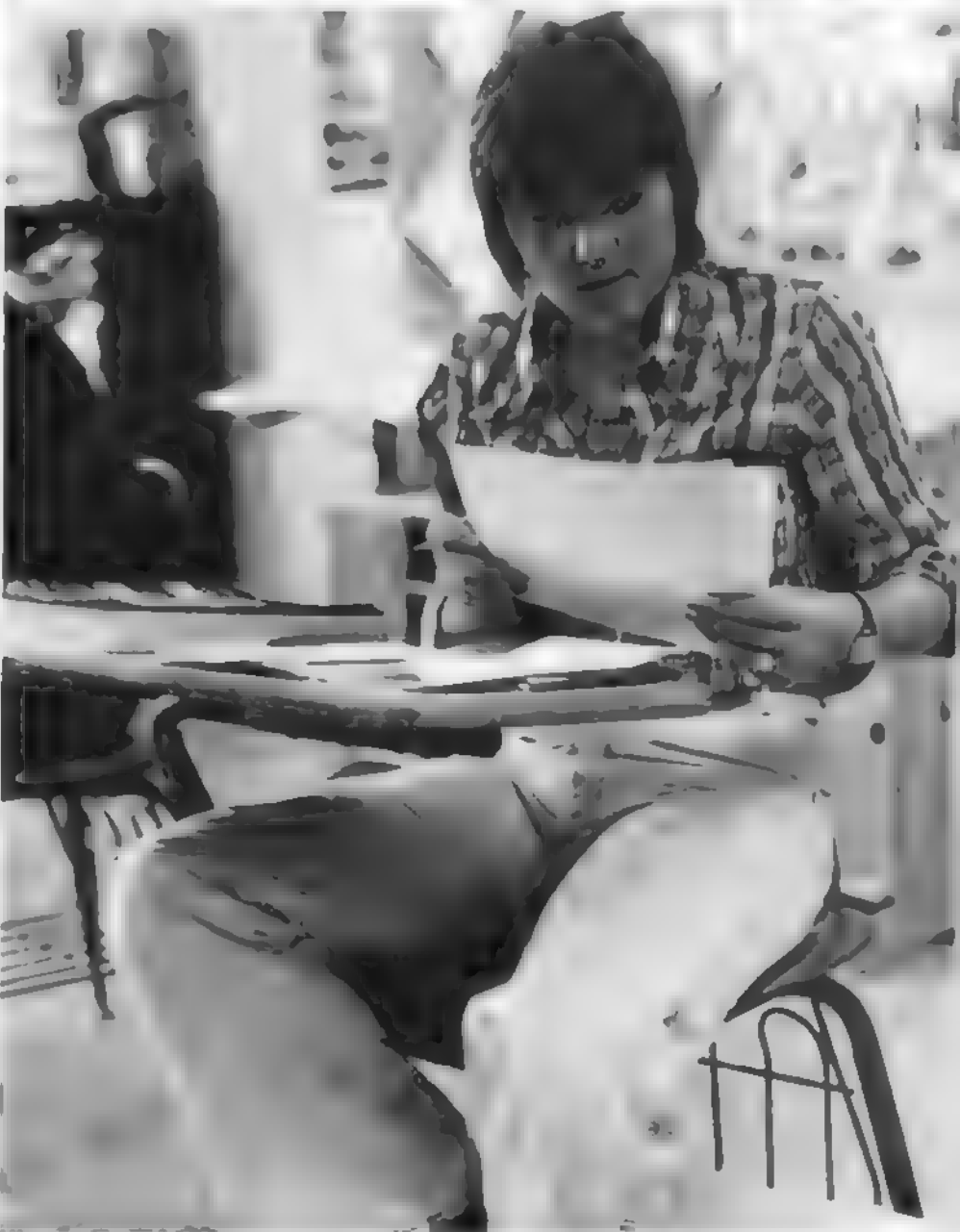


Foreign languages are mastered when hearing and comprehending them come as easily as translations. Pam VanRocnan receives earphones for French lessons.

Drama rehearsals are essential for plays. Getting an early start on the backstage rush is Anne Burns as Joyce Hamrick adds some last minute touches.

Journalism staff. Front row - Anita Oliver, Jackie Sharp, Meg Crickenberger, Sam McNeel. 2nd row - Candy Harper, Gretchen Hite, Berry Allen, Debbie Stone, Greg Friel. Back row - Rhonda Hammons, Theresa Workman, Susan Vance, Barbie Kinsner, Susan Scott.

Adjustments to light meters and in focusing have to be practiced and become automatic so Barbie Kinsner can produce sharp, clear pictures.



After a long day of school, the responsibilities of organizing a yearbook as explained by Mrs. Wigal are incomprehensible to Susan Vance, co-editor.

Contact sheets frustrate Cindy Mullens, junior, as she searches through the small prints made from negative strips for just the "right" picture.

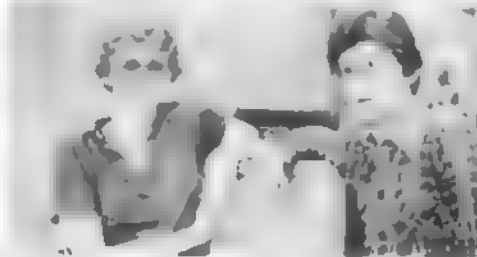
Frantic Rushes Typical Of Newsroom



Late hours and nights are frequently seen by 16 journalism students. Rushing to meet both newspaper and yearbook deadlines entails hard work and dedication.

To record events which take place during the process of one school year and serve as references and memories, is the basic assignment for the staff. Finding money to achieve this job is the prime obstacle. Drives for ads included football practice with an emphasis on football players is the center of junior Susie Monk's attention to the main field.

First place WV State Journalism Award in feature writing went to Greg Friel. He placed second in news writing and advertising and Meg Crickenberger placed second in editorial writing and third in news writing.



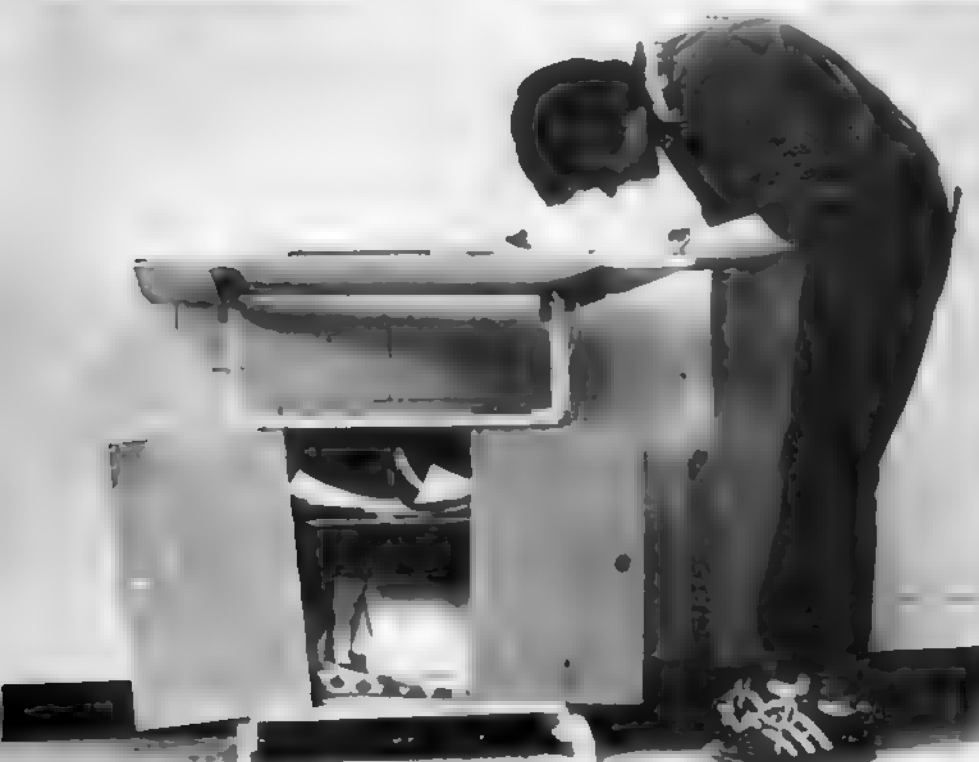
four surrounding counties and had to cover expenses for over 90 pages of the newspaper, 200 yearbook pages and a 24-page senior magazine.

All was not fruitless, however, as "The Smoke Signal" accumulated awards from the United High School Press Association. It is rated third in Best Newspaper Ads, second in Best All-Round Editorial Page and first in Best Editorial Page.



Overtime spent working on the newspaper enables Meg Crickenberger to establish a short term friendship with Maxine, Debbie Stone's pet.

He says organization is not one of his better qualities and yet in a state of utter chaos, Greg Friel, manages to put "The Smoke Signal" together.



Classes Create Interest

The Iranian Crisis has given the study of World Cultures a new meaning. Foreign diplomacy today treads on thin ice and conflicts have arisen where no one even imagined.

The course offers study in the Middle East, Latin America, Africa and China. Projects are also required in this department. Students in China class prepared Chinese food and brought it to school for a "taste test." Dishes included Eggs Foo Yung, rice dishes and desserts.

Term papers mean research which begins in the library. Since books are hard to locate, David Michael and Chuck Beverage rely on encyclopedias.



Concentration on situations in the Middle East or on finishing plans for the upcoming weekend pulls Mark Jones, junior, away from class discussions.

Know Your State Government Day participants Angie Pyles, Debbie Dean, Anita Oliver and Lowell Galford met with congressional delegates in Charleston.





Mrs. Alice Irvine helps Sam Mitchell in Algebra II. Below, Billy Gum and Earl Gordon ask Dr. William Leary for help in math.



Lowell Galford writes up the results of an index of refraction in Physics while Anne Burns listens to another one of Tony Beverage's jokes.

Melinda Beverage writes down her grades for the semester while Mrs. Alice Irvine checks to see that she has got them all.

Weightlifting Offered

People exercise to stay in shape, to have fun, and maybe because it is required to graduate. Physical Education classes and weightlifting help provide the opportunity for exercise that students need, whatever the reason.

Below, girl's Advanced P.E. class enjoys a game of volleyball. Right, Larry Sharp shows his strength



Everyone waits patiently while Mrs. Reta Rose, teacher, advises Brenda Kinnison for a gymnastic stunt.



Left, Cindy Clutter and Cara Hefner perform the Inside-Out stunt at the gymnastic show. Lower left, Debbie Smith and Becky Davis practice on the parallel bars. Below, Rachel Sharp is ready for an exciting day in basketball practice



Above, Bev Carden waits for instructions while sitting in girls' P.E. Left, John Barton forces a smile while lifting heavy weights

Special Subjects Help

Below, Ken Underwood plays a G chord while practicing in Guitar class. Right, the art classes have supplied the art room with colorful paintings.



Mrs. Miriam VanNostran provides the right colors for Tony Kelly's painting in art while Jeff Pitt watches.

Develop Talents, Skills



"He surely has talent," is an often heard phrase. This talent is a special skill that is sometimes natural and other times learned. Some kinds of talent are used only for entertainment, hobbies, or personal reasons, while others are used as the basis of a career.

Art, music and driving skills are a few classes that are taught at school to develop talents and sometimes students discover that they have natural abilities in these areas.

These classes are electives open to any student who wishes to pursue skill development.

Left, Ronnie Hall, Bobby Simmons, Ken Underwood, Duane Gibson, Tony Beverage, and Dean Becker display their talent in guitar class. Some of the group members accompanied the Pops Group at public performances. Below, Bobby Simmons picks a tune while sitting in guitar class.



Anita Oliver assists Gypsy Woodhouse in Drivers Education while Gypsy demonstrates parallel parking. The demonstration ended with the car on the curb.

Classes Not All Work

State certification is the objective of the students enrolled in the Welding classes. This year they constructed a roof ventilator fan to exhaust smoke from the shop and also constructed a Heat-a-lator.

It wasn't all work and no play for the Drafting classes who took two trips this year. Once they visited the hydroelectric dam under construction in Bath County, Va, and another time they toured Natural Bridge, Va.



Nurses Cure With Love

"Nurses cure what love can't cure" is just one of the sayings found on the bulletin board in the nursing room, a well equipped classroom reminiscent of a hospital room complete with "dummy" patients. The nurses don't spend all their time in the classroom. They spent 26 half days working at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital, plus they visited the Greenbrier Medical Clinic and Hotel.

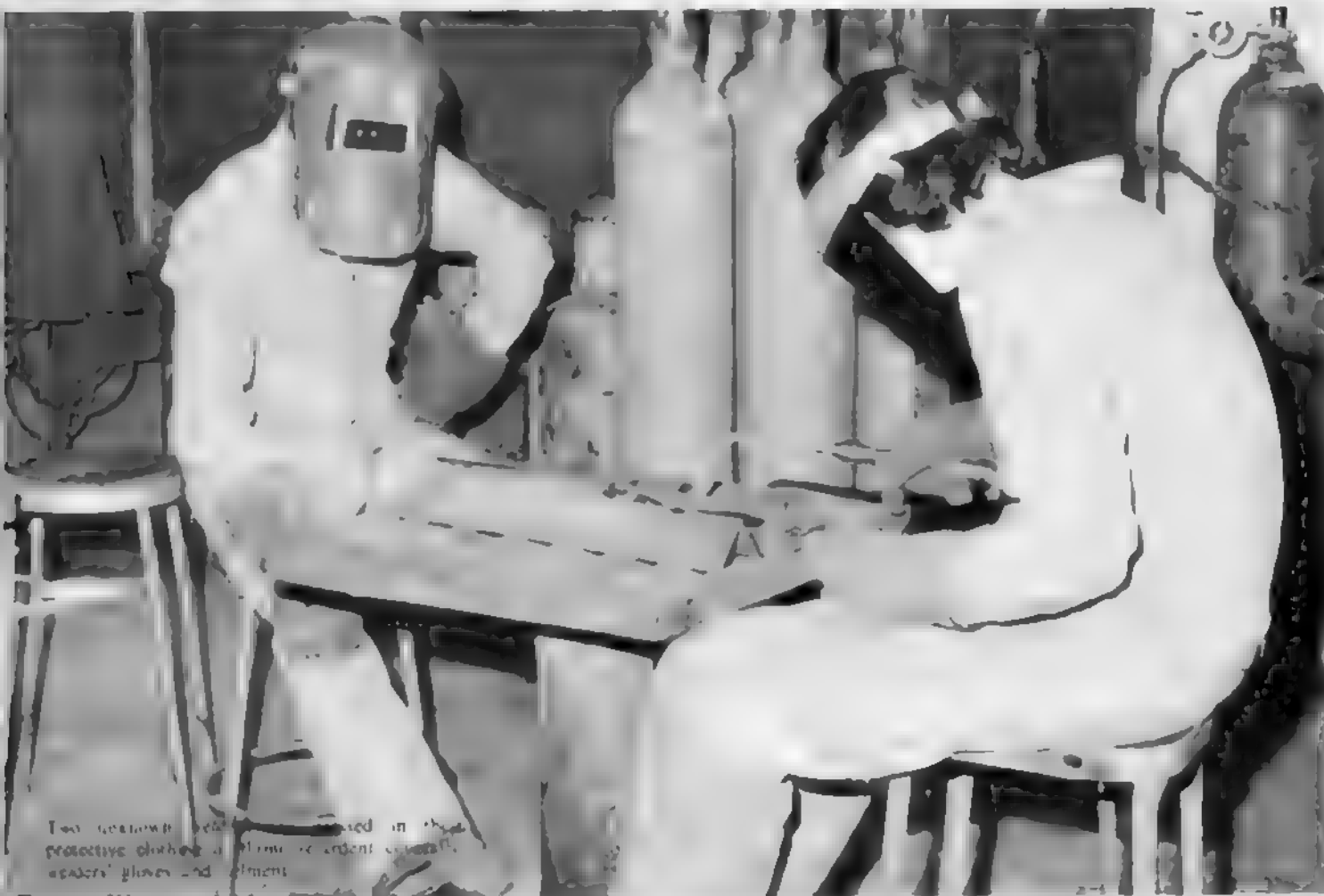
Top left, Mr. Thompson explains some safety tips in the Welding I class. Above, Jimmy Roberts uses the Band saw while he cuts a plate for his welding certification. Below left, Mrs. Gladys Vance stands with the nursing classes of Carolyn Ryder, Marcia Ryder, Barbara Wolfong, Connie McMillan, Linda Walks and Barbara Starts. Below, Linda Walks and Carolyn Ryder discuss what to do with their "dummy" patient.





Mike Garber wears a welder's helmet for protection from welding flash and sparks

Brett Withers works on a floor plan in Drafting class

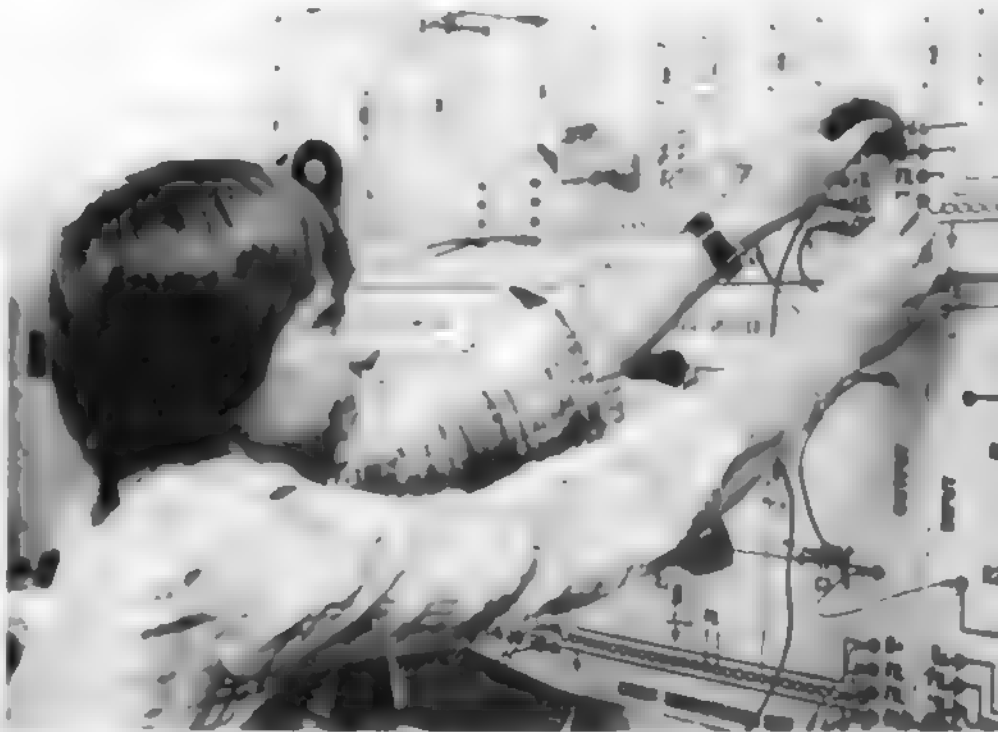


Two students wear protective clothing and helmets while working in the shop

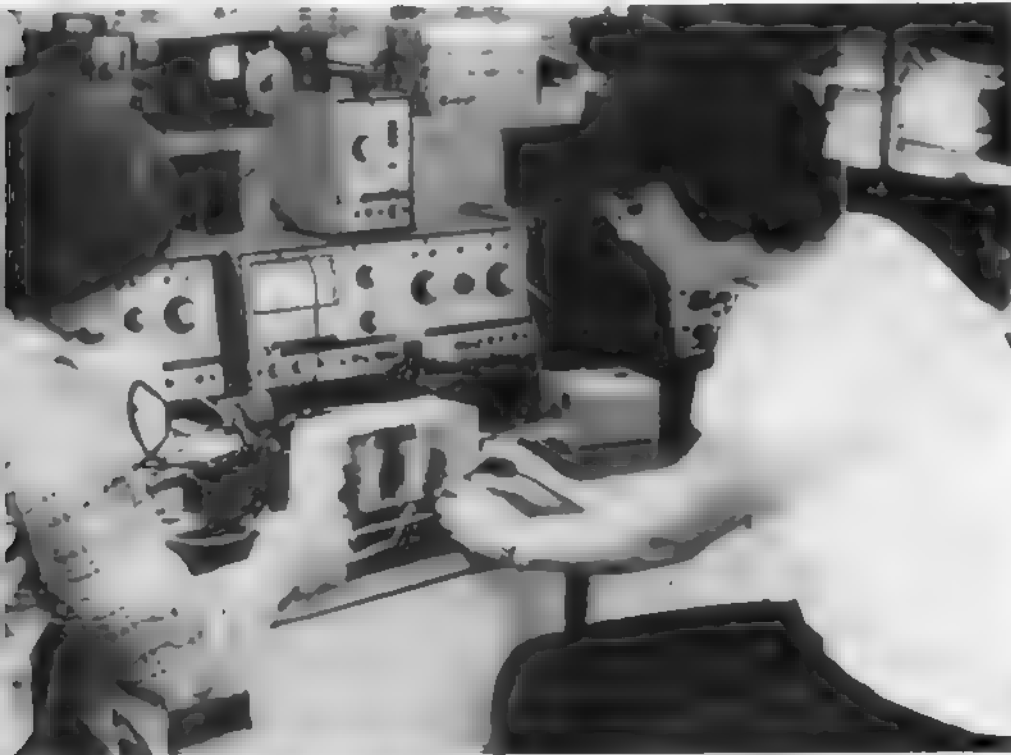
Forestry Classes Hold

Forestry I and Forestry II in the past have covered a lot, but maybe not as much as this year's classes. They covered 13 skills ranging from the study of trees to forest fire protection to forestry measurements (tree cruising) right down to firewood cutting. The year ended with a Forestry Field Day where Forestry I challenged Forestry II in such skills as log rolling, pulp splitting, and ax throwing. In the end Forestry II won.

Right, Tony Kelly works with the circuit demonstration unit in the Electronics class. Below, the Forestry class watches during a demonstration of log throwing.



Field Day Competition



Left, Tony Kelly and Arlene Morrison set up a lab in Electronics.



Above, Kyle McCarty works diligently on a project in Electricity. Left, Ike Buzzard takes time out from working on the forestry sign to catch the photographer.

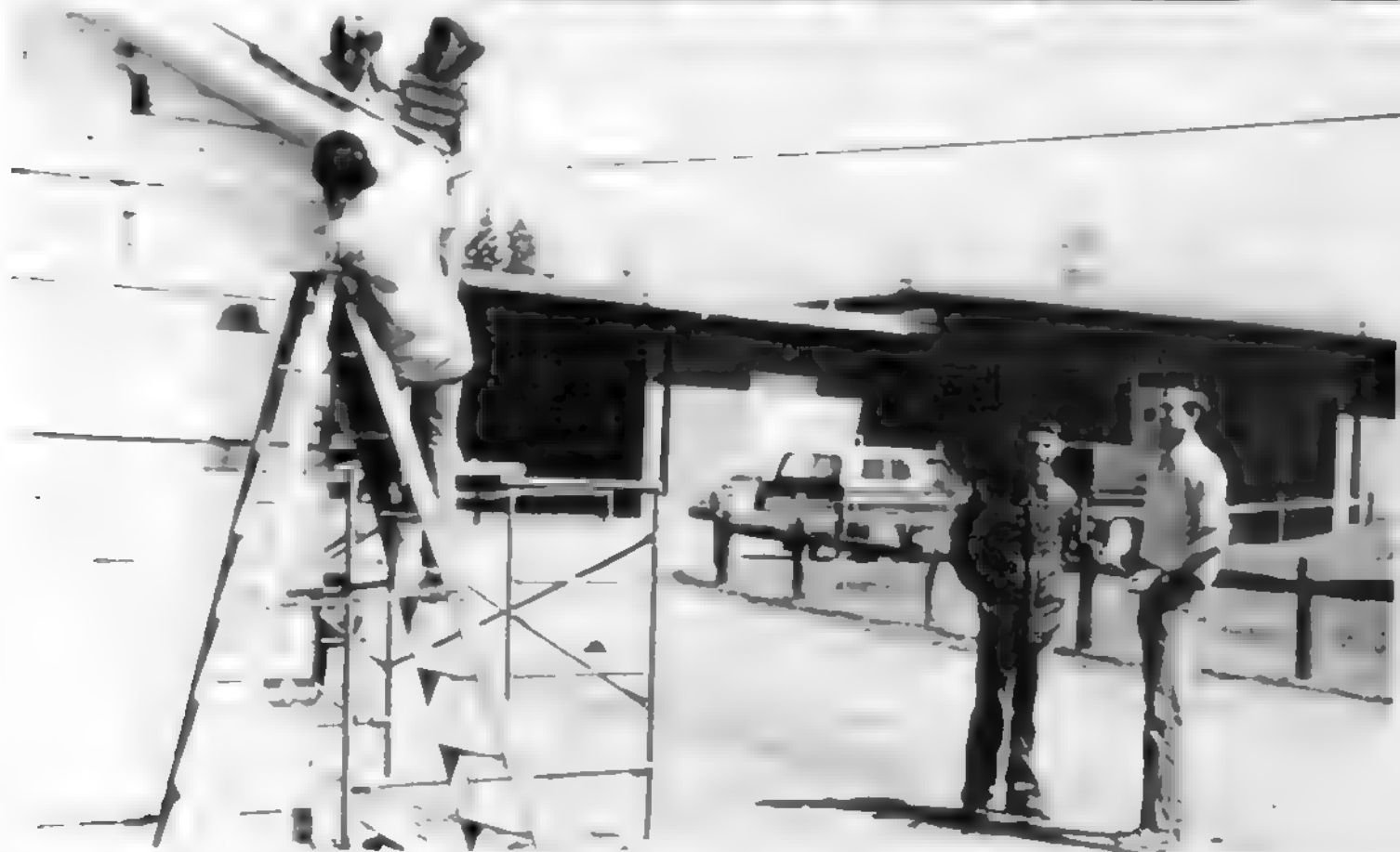
The Electronics and Electricity classes put forth effort that someday will help them to undertake a well paying job. The Electricity classes over the past year have wired electricity into several houses and barns all over the county. On the other hand the electronics class puts together projects in the classroom.

Class Experience Gives

Actually building a house, a hay trailer or doing some other project that requires application of learned skills gives on-the-job experiences to students enrolled in the Carpentry I and II, Agriculture Science and Agricultural Shop classes.

Because Pocahontas County is so rural and many residents depend upon agriculture as a full or partial means of livelihood, most PCHS young men enroll in the carpentry or agricultural classes at some point in high school in order to acquire career-related skills. The shop class works a lot with wood and does a lot with welding and cutting. The carpentry class completed several assignments in different areas of Pocahontas County.

To the right, Tracey Rabel, sophomore, cuts a board to finish a class project while Houston Mansbaw, freshman, listens carefully to instructions for a project he is planning to begin in shop class for a project.



Above, Mr. Sam Taylor, Carpentry teacher, instructs his students about a building repair. Working on the building are David Walton, junior, and James Nicely, junior, and standing on the ladder is Clyde Perkins, junior. Standing with Mr. Taylor is Kevin Helmer, sophomore.

On-The-Job Skills



Above left, Clarna Tyree, freshman, concentrates while working with leather, to begin a class project in agricultural science. Above right, Mr. Dolan Irvine, shop teacher, explains to Carl Behrens, freshman, the size to cut the board for a project.

To the left, Jeff Pennington, junior, relaxes while Clyde Perkins, junior, (on the ladder), James Nicely, junior, David Wallon, junior, and John Murray, work at laying felt paper for the roof.

Family Living Offered

In addition to the regular Home Economics class, a Commercial Foods class is offered to upperclassmen and Family Living is offered as a class to study family relations, consumer education, etc.

The Family Living class was visited by some resource people like Mr. Bob Martin, attorney, who talked about teen-age laws and others; Rev. David Rittenhouse, who talked about marriage, and a few other sources.

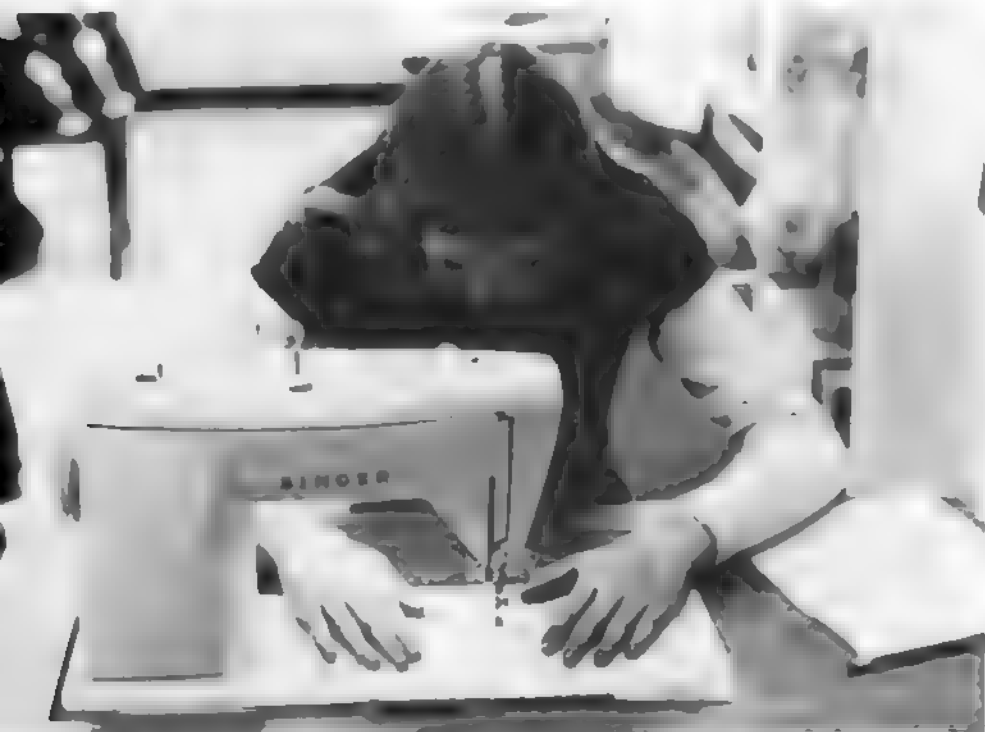
Home Economics, in order to increase male enrollment, and include areas of study that are interesting to more people, has started to incorporate many diverse topics.

Below, Judy Lambert, Teresa Beck Nelson, Teresa Steens, Barbara McLaughlin, Grace Ray, Maria Ryder, Joyce Taylor, Teresa Stewart, Kim Alderman, and Mrs. Sharon Vance, Home Economics teacher, pause for the photographer.

Now Linda Snyder's Family Living class look to see who's at the door. From left to right are Sam Mace, senior, Mina Snyder, Missy Armstrong, sophomore, Margaret Long, junior, Sandy Peyton, sophomore, Russ Ann Poling, senior, and Renee Fertig, senior.



In Home Economics



Terena Alderman, freshman, practices sewing paper before starting with clothing in Home Economics I



Above, James Hanna, sophomore, practices sewing paper in Home Economics I to learn the skills of sewing stitches

Left, Mrs. Linda VanRocca, Home Economics teacher, and Rejella Camell, junior, discuss a pattern before class

Special Programs Give

Special programs are offered to students who are experiencing problems in meeting people, working with the public, reading, or just plain passing classes.

The Distributive Education program was designed to assist students in building social skills for working with the public, as well as perfecting practical skills such as giving the correct change.

Remedial Reading is a course open to freshmen students who have been recommended by 8th grade teachers and who need special remedial English and reading before going into the regular phased program. The work is individualized so that the majority of students are always doing different assignments.

Special Education is for students who are not ready for phased classes.

Right, Mrs. Jane Beverage, teacher's aide, checks Mary Coberly's, freshman, work. Mrs. Beverage helps students in remedial reading when they need it, while the others work



Above, special education students, left to right, John Varner, Eddie Gibson, and Leslie Turley diligently pursue a class assignment. John and Eddie are working while Leslie pauses to look at the photographer. Special Education students not only work on assignments but in their other class time do some cooking. Special education students prepared a luncheon for the teachers this year.

Better Working Skills



Left, Susan Ryder, junior, and Tammy Maddy, junior, work in the DECA store during lunch. Below, the remedial reading class works hard to complete a grammar assignment.



Above, Gypsy Woodhouse, junior, listens to a cassette and takes notes on a special assignment in the learning center, and concentrates on the recording to get the right information.



Above, Tonya Greathouse, freshman, works on a term paper for the nine weeks during her free time in the learning center.



Go For It

Perfection is an entity which, no matter how close, is always unattainable. Yet, even this knowledge cannot stop one who is truly dedicated to reaching ever higher.

Circumstances and events present obstacles in the path to perfection. These temporary stumbling blocks hinder, but never stop a true winner.

Whether it is intercepting a touchdown pass, slam-dunking the ball, crossing the finishing line, or going for the gold, athletes are always striving for perfection.



Season Finishes Well

Neither rain nor snow nor sleet nor hail will keep the mailman from his route or the Warriors off the football field. It was a tough but fine season for the team.

They started off with a loss against Nicholas County High School but came right back with a win against Tucker County High School.

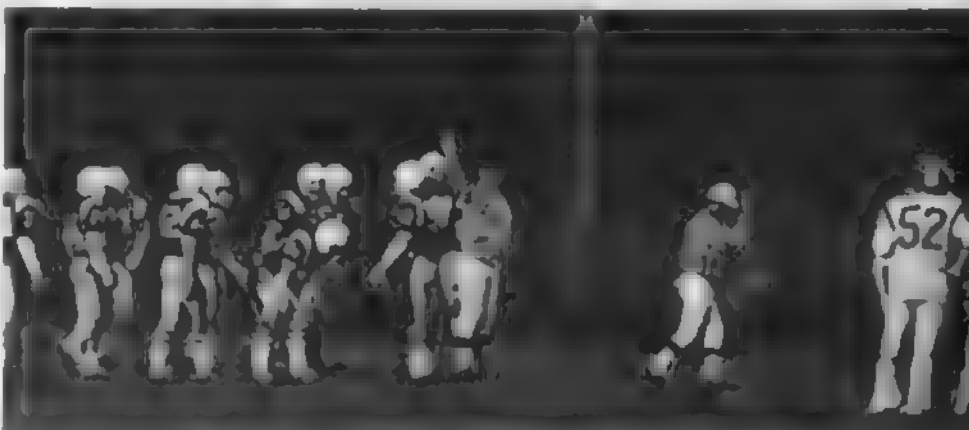
For the first time in years the Warriors beat Greenbrier West High School with a score of 7-14.

They fought hard Homecoming night but were defeated by Man with a score of 21-14. But the team did not give up. They moved on and beat Webster County High School, 6-12, and Valley High School, 12-14.

It was a good season that ended with five wins and four losses.

From row is John Barton, Joe Roy, Frosty McNabb, Freddy Walker, Brett Withers, Steve Johnson, Johnny Pratt, Tracy Rabel, Terry Kramer. 2nd row, Mike Doss, Jeff Taylor, Robbie McNabb, Richard Walther, Mike Garber, Ike Buzzard, Tim Workman, Bobby Simmons, David Walton. 3rd row, Brian Waslo, Ricky McCarty, Kevin Workman, Mark Jonese, Danny Dolan, Donny Rose, Kenny Walther, J. R. Kiser, Barry Vrabie, James Corbett. 4th row, Russel Jesse, Virgil Scraggs, David Carr, Bruce Rose, Ronnie Simmons, Larry Sharp, Ken Underwood, Jon Mullenax, Paul Hill.

On the field the Warrior team is at it's best. The two pictures below catch the Warriors in action with the top one showing what a muddy experience football in the rain can be. Below, the boys prepare to huddle to discuss the next plays in the game.





Left the Warner fans follow the action of the football on the field
Below, on the sideline, Chuck Restrode, freshman, looks disgusted, because he's unable to play with a broken leg



The Warriors Keep Trying

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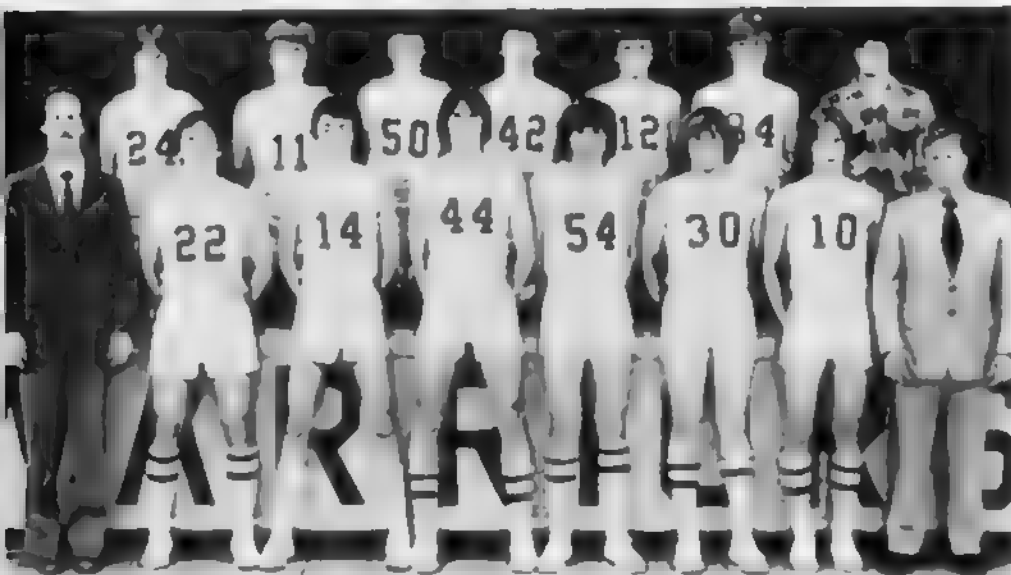
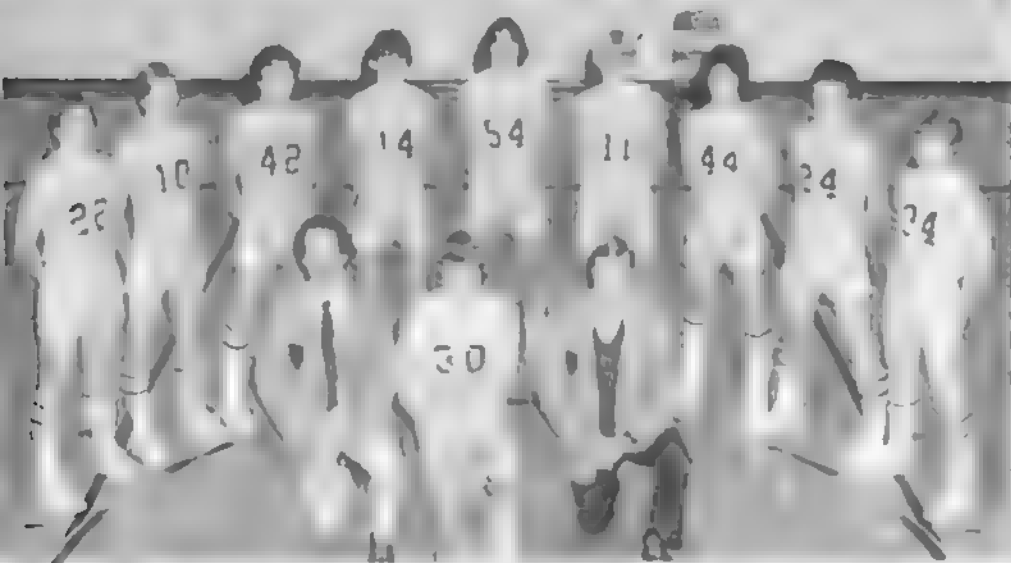
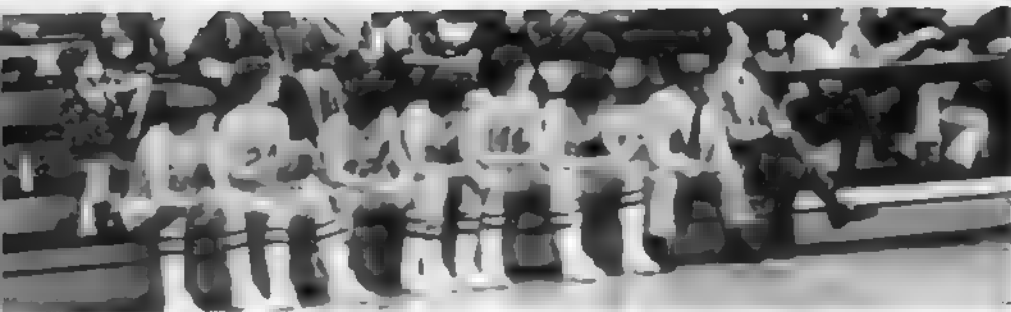
The end of the year found Mike Tucker named to the second team of the All-Conference Team, and Sam Helmick received an honorable mention.



Above: Brett Warren dribbles and tries to avoid an opposing player. Right: Sam Helmick waits while Mike Tucker shoots a foul shot.



While Faces Keep Changing



Above, the junior varsity bench follows the action down the court. Left, Kevin Workman, Danny Dolan, Larry Sharp, Sam Helmick, Ronnie Simmons, Doug Culp, Mark Jones, Mike Dow, Brett Withers, and Mike Garber were the starting team for the season with Bob Sheets and Elmer Friel coaching. Intra-team quarrels, however, resulted in a change of faces and the following people finished the season. Bottom, Kevin Workman, Sam Helmick, Ricky Bennett, Mike Garber, Danny Dolan, Steve Vanroeman, Steve Johnson, Perry Murphy, Chuck Workman, Paul Murphy, and Brett Withers. Joe Roy was manager and Bob Sheets and Elmer Friel were the coaches.

SCOREBOARD

PCHS	39	Norrie Dam	70
PCHS	60	Greenbrier East	70
PCHS	70	Braxton	60
PCHS	70	Tygarts Valley	60
PCHS	57	Greenbrier West	86
PCHS	66	Richwood	70
PCHS	56	Franklin	76
PCHS	71	Webster	74
PCHS	79	Chapmanville	92
PCHS	78	Tygarts Valley	71
PCHS	45	Franklin	50
PCHS	71	Greenbrier West	91
PCHS	62	Webster	60
PCHS	67	Tucker	64
PCHS	67	Braxton	66
PCHS	39	Greenbrier East	52
PCHS	64	Richwood	77
PCHS	64	Tucker	62

Tournament

PCHS	52	Webster	73
PCHS	46	Richwood	75

Team Finishes Second

The troubles experienced by the varsity squad proved to be good for many junior varsity and freshman players because it provided them with the opportunity to move up to the varsity squad to finish the season.

As for the freshman team, the squad experienced a fine season, compiling an overall record of nine wins and five losses. The team finished second in the eight-team tournament at Nicholas County, losing by only one point. The team was also the first team in P.C.H.S. history to beat White Sulphur Springs on their home court. The team was led by Chuck Workman and Robbie Waugh for the most part of the season.

Chuck Workman and Perry Murphy were awarded All Tournament Honors.

Right, Danny Dolan moves in for a jump shot. Below is the Junior Varsity Squad: Steve Vanroenen, Brian Wasko, Tony Valencia, Ronnie Simmons, Mike Dots, Brett Withers, and Steve Johnson. Coach Bob Sheets helped lead the team to nine wins and six losses.





Above, a Warrior makes a jump shot while Mike Garber guards an opposing player. Below left is the Freshmen Team. Front row: Robbie Waugh, Samuel Rittenhouse, Chuck Workman, Paul Murphy, and Perry Murphy. Row two: Ricky Carpenter, Coach Rick Pennypacker, and Chris Burns. Row three: John Burns and Greg Johnson. Row four: Tony Pondexter, Kenneth Schoolcraft. Below, Sam Helmick clutches the basketball while pausing for a moment of deliberation on his next move.



Senior Will Leave Team

Playing and having fun were the objectives of this season's girls' basketball team, said Coach Elizabeth Rabel. And they did have fun, although the varsity experienced a no-win season and often played to near-empty bleachers.

Girls' basketball has not been well-supported by the public in Pocahontas County, and the teams have had trouble finding someone willing to take the time to coach. But the girls keep plugging away, trying to build an experienced squad that will do better in years to come. They will lose only one senior this spring, thus leaving a group of girls who can maximize upon their experience next year.

Outstanding players for the varsity squad were Rachel Sharp who led the team with an average of 12.1 points per game, and Julie McLaughlin, with the greatest number of rebounds.

The freshman team ended the season with two wins and eight losses. This team was led by Coach Mary Ogden who said that all the players were outstanding, noting that there were only five players.

Right, Kim Dean walks down the floor waiting for some action to begin. Below is the Varsity Girls' Basketball Team: Front row: Missy Armstrong, Julie McLaughlin, Melanie Rose, Elaine Friel, Rachel Sharp, Pam Copen, Molly Ray. Second row: Coach Elizabeth Rabel, Cindy Mullens, Jetta Caswell, Brenda Adams, Kim Dean, Margaret Sharp, Donna Hughes, and manager Brenda Kiner.





Left, Rachel Sharp jumps for the ball along with a few members of the opposing team. Below, Rachel Sharp shoots a foul shot and the team waits for a rebound. Below is the Freshmen Girls' Basketball Team. Manager Jane Higgs, Sheri Hatfield, Leah Arbogast, Teresa Alderman, Sara Riley, Gertrude Pritt, Joyce McKinney, Chawna Carr, and Coach Mary Ogden.



Squad seeks support

It seemed as though the cheerleaders might never find a sponsor this year. Mr. Glen Wade, assistant principal, became their unofficial leader when no one else could be found. Later in the year the cheerleaders honored him with a special plaque for his kindness. The Varsity squad was led by head cheerleader, Irene White.

Mascot Debbie Ramsey, wears her suede cloth dress with fringe as she cheers the Warriors on to a victory, right Debbie was chosen mascot last spring by a panel of judges during cheerleading tryouts. The school has always had a Warrior mascot.

This year's freshmen cheerleaders, Rhonda Hunt, Cara and Carla Helfer, and Debbie Smith watch a basketball game attentively, while the crowd uses the time to visit with their friends, below. If one looks closely one may observe Paul and Perry Murphy and Russell Jesse looking bored to death while Kim Cohenour and Kim Dean do their homework.



This year's Junior Varsity cheerleaders are Carol Brewer, Angie Pyles, Patricia Kellison and Beth Liptak.



Varsity Cheerleaders: Debbie Ramsey, Mascot, Lori Wilfong, Brenda Kinnison, Irene White, head, Joyce Hamrick, Carol McNeill and Laura Howell. Below: The Cheerleaders give it all they've got



Above, senior cheerleaders, Joyce Hamrick and Carol McNeill are caught in action by the camera in the middle of a floor cheer. It's sometimes very hard to stir audience emotions enough to have them respond with enthusiastic cheering

Freshmen Cheerleaders are Kim Scott, head, Brenda Ricottilli, Cara Hefner, Sheila Wilfong, Debbie Smith, Jane Kelley, Carla Hefner and Rhonda Hunt. Being a cheerleader takes lots of practice and hard work

Track Members Hustle To Enter Regional Meets

The 1979-80 PCHS track team consisted of twenty members and one manager. Mr. Delmas Barb, Marlinton Middle School teacher, coached the boys, as well as traveled to away meets with them.

The following boys were members of the PCHS track team during the 1979-80 year: John Barton, Chuck Beverage, Grey Beverage, Mike Doss, Hector Hinkley, Scott Howell, Steve Johnson, David Lipzak, Wayne Perry, Sam Rittenhouse, Travis Roach, Donnie Rose, Joe Ruy, Chester Shifflett, Bobby Simmons, Ronnie Simmons, Ken Underwood, Leslie Underwood, Brett Withers, Everett Underwood (manager). Right: Chester Shifflett gives it all he's got, while racing against an unknown runner, at a meet at Midland Trail School. Below Right: Samuel Rittenhouse painfully pushes himself around one more lap to try for a win for PCHS. Below: Brett Withers quickly glides through the air showing how swift and talented he is. John Barton, the outstanding track member for this year placed first in the New River Valley Conference meet and qualified for the state meet.





John Barton, junior, forces his way over the bar while doing the pole vault at one of the track meets. John is the only member of the 1979-80 track team to participate in the state track meets.



Mike Dow, junior track member, takes a break while ill during an away track meet with Greenbrier West.

Girls' Track Improves

Julie McLaughlin broke the girls' school track record this year in the discus throw. She threw 89 feet and nine inches, breaking Becky Sharp's record of 80 feet and five inches.

With Coach Reta Rose, this year saw an improvement in the girls' track team. They came in second place at both the West track meet and the Webster County track meet. They placed third in the Elkins' meet, fifth at the Greenbrier East track meet, and sixth at the Nicholas County track meet.

Many who tried for a track position thought it would be fun and it would help them stay in shape. Several didn't realize what speed and endurance they had until they began winning events at the track meets. A freshman who has shown her athletic abilities in running is Becky Davis. She helped provide the team with points at track meets by running in the 100 meter dash, 4 x 200 meter relay and 4 x 100 meter relay.

With their hard work, the track team proves to be ready for the "Eighties."

Right, Brenda Adams and Becky Davis went to run the 100 meter dash at Elkins track meet. Becky placed second and Brenda placed fifth in this event. This is Becky's first year in Girls' Track and Brenda's second year. Both girls have speed and endurance.

Molly Ray, below, pushes hard to complete the 2,600 meter run at Nicholas County Girls' Track Meet. This is her first year in track. She won a first place at the Greenbrier West Track Meet, which helped the team take second place.



Barton Goes To State

The boys and girls regional track meet was held at Nicholas County High School on May 16. Girls who placed in the competition were Julia McLaughlin, who tied for fifth in the discus, Robin Hillary, Kim Friel, Teresa Alderman, and Becky Davis the 4 x 100 relay team that placed sixth, and Molly Ray, Tammy Armstrong, Teresa Alderman and Becky Davis who placed fifth in the 4 x 200 relay.

In boys track John Barton placed second in the VA Regional meet which qualified him for the state meet in Charleston. At the state meet John got a height of 10 feet in the pole vault but he was trying for 11 feet 6 inches. John was the only track member who qualified for the state meet. Bobby Simmons, John Barton, Ken Underwood, and Donny Rose placed fourth in the 4 x 100 relay, Brett Withers, Chuck Beverage, Mike Doss and Donny Rose, placed fifth in the 4 x 200 relay, Chuck Beverage, Ken Underwood, Mike Doss placed fifth in the mile relay, Mike Doss placed sixth in the 100 yard dash and Travis Roach placed sixth in the mile.



Ronnie Simmons stretches up and over the hurdles in perfect form.



Brett Withers is ready to start his event: the relay.



Brenda Adams and Rachel Sharp in the 300 meter medley relay

Becky Davis runs in the 100 meter dash



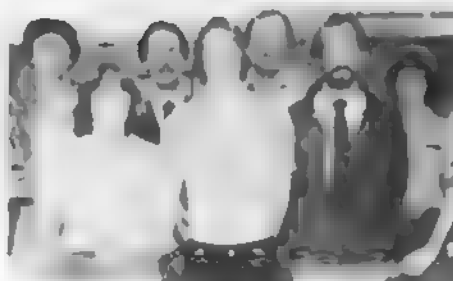
Soccer Proves Successful

Spring is a time when organized sports are over and many get a chance to put their new-found energy to good use while playing intramural sports. A volleyball match is held each year in the gymnasium between student teams with names such as "Cool and the Gang" and

"Chipmunks." Nine teams participated this year and after quarter-final, semi-final and final games were held, "Fight Is Enough," emerged victorious. Another sport that has come of age in Pocahontas County is soccer. A

league, organized by drafting teacher Jeorgen Sumpt, offered youth and adults a chance to participate in an individual sport. "Everyone Plays" was the slogan of the league which also sent teams to play out of the county.

Below, Mrs. Reta Rose referees a game that was won by "Fight Is Enough," the team on the far side of the net.



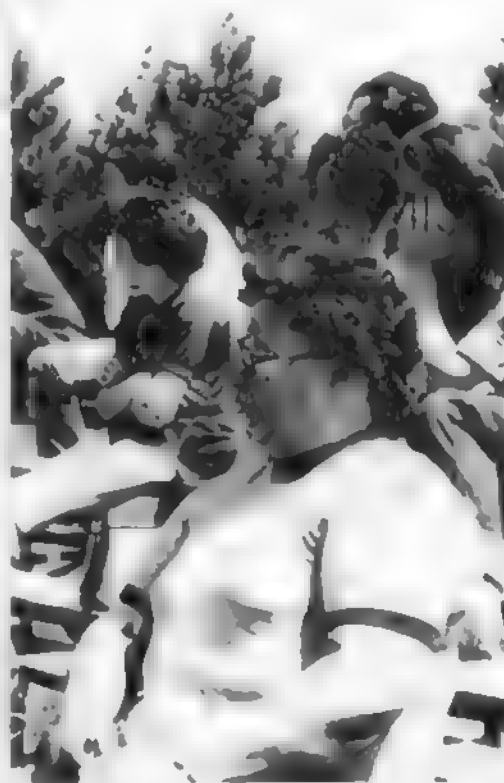
Above are "Fight Is Enough" members. Front row: Theresa Workman, Danny Dulan, Pete Hatchell. Second row: Todd Morgan, Mr. Bob Sheets, Mr. Rick Pennypacker, Melanie Rose.



Play can sometimes become tough as feelings become intense with competitiveness. Above: Coaches Sheets and Pennypacker watch two players stretch to return the volleyball back over the net.



Mr. Jeorgen Sampl, organizer of the Pisabontas County Soccer League, runs down the soccer field in pursuit of the ball at a special exhibition game held to raise money.



Above, fans of soccer watch the play of the soccer ball on the field at the exhibition game held at the high school.

Left, Paul (or is it Perry?) Murphy prepares to put the soccer ball into play. He and friends were "just killing time" while waiting for the actual game to begin.



Taking It Easy

Each Tuesday the first three classes are shortened to allow a time for club meetings to be held. On Thursday mornings classes are shortened again to provide time for extracurricular activities, doing homework, or just relaxing.

These spare minutes provide a welcome break from classes and ideal times to take advantage of the wide variety of organizations and activities that are offered through the school. Students also spend many afternoons, evenings, and weekends, taking part in school-related activities. The rural area makes the school a very important center of activity due to its centralized location and the variety of programs offered through the school system.

Athletics Advancement Is Goal Of Lettermen.

The Lettermen's Club is an organization dedicated to the improvement and advancement of Varsity Athletics. Membership is open to all Varsity Lettermen.

During the 1979-80 year the club sponsored a "Red-Heads" ballgame to raise money for the improvement of the

team as well as the weight room. The club also purchased an AM-FM, 8-Track stereo for the entertainment of the Lettermen while they work out.

The club has approximately 70 members and 3 sponsors, coaches Bob Sheets, Elmer Friel and Rick Penny- packer.

Although the club does little more than prepare for competition with other schools, it still remains the most highly talked about club at school. The club extends its welcome to any Varsity Lettermen who wishes to join this club and to be a part of the PCHS Athletic wenc

Row One: Ike Buzzard, Mike Garber, Bobby Simmons, Robbie McNabb. Row Two: Kevin Workman, Mark Jones, Doug Catlip, John Barton, Jeff Taylor, Larry Sharp, Donny Rose, Ken Underwood, Chuck Beverage. Row Three: Kenny Walther, Mike Doss, Sam Helmick, Brian Waslo, Danny Dolan, Bruce Rose, Rick McCarty, Ronnie Simmons, Paul Hill, Steve Johnson. Row Four: Ernie Skraggs, Greg Johnson, Joe Roy, Brett Withers, Frosty McNabb, Chuck Workman, Russell Jesse, Tommy Shafer, Jomoe Buchanan, Kenneth Schookcraft. Row Five: Paul Murphy, John Berns, Tony Poundexter. Row Six: Coach Elmer Friel, Jimmy Corbett, Robbie Waugh, Grey Beverage, Scott Howell, Chester Shifflet, Sam Rittenhouse, Ronnie Rose, Coach Rick Penny- packer.



David Carr and Donny Rose seem somewhat interested in Robbie McNabb's challenge to lift a barbell.

Robbie McNabb, senior, prepares to lift these weights to show his ability and skill with the barbells.





Coaches Bob Sheets and Rick Penaypucker have a humorous discussion, while the Lettermen chuckle along with them. Dick Walther, senior Letterman, is taking notes on the whole situation.

"Come on now, baby, just go in the basket", is what Mike Garber, senior, seems to be thinking at this critical period in the varsity basketball game, where he is making foul shots.



Watch out men, here SHE comes!" Bobby Simmons, senior Letterman, shows his spirit during Spirit Week, by dressing up as a woman.



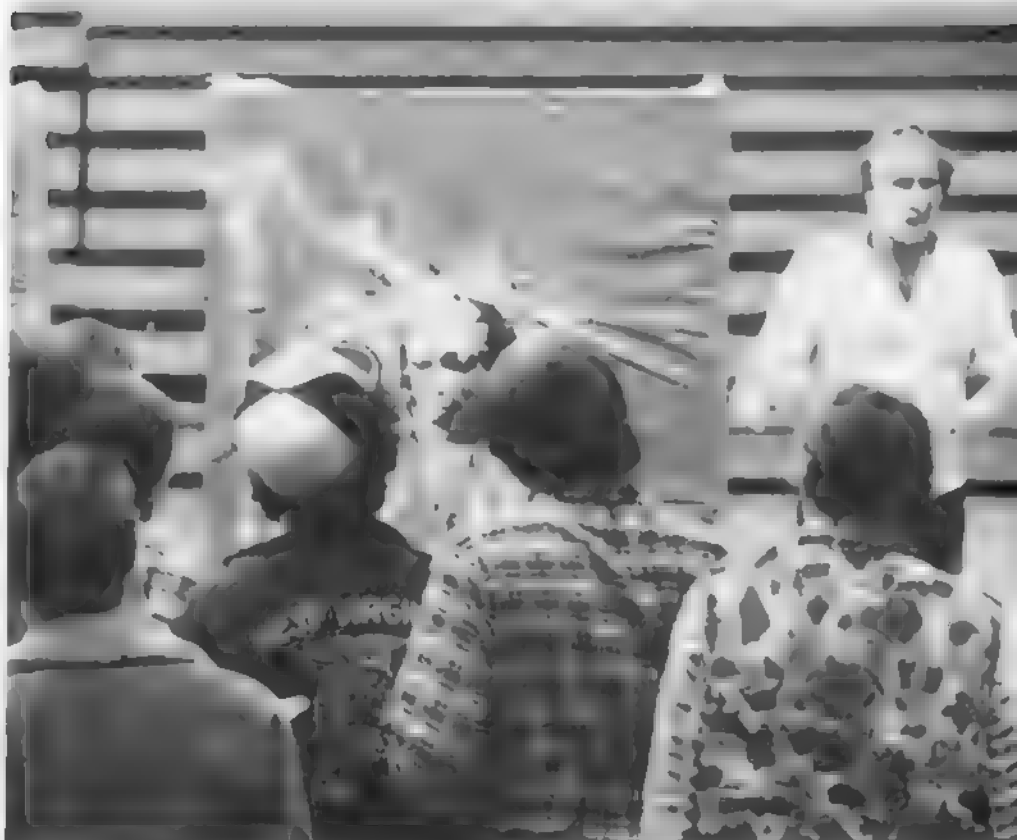
Secret Club

Pals is a secretive girls organization which gives money to support the boys' athletic department from funds earned by selling refreshments during high school ballgames.

The club has 23 members and two sponsors

Mr. Glen Wade and Coach Rick Penneyfucker stand helpless, as the students take out their pent up hostilities on the defeated faculty members by wounding their egos with whipped cream!

Patricia Kellison, senior PALS member from Hallowboro, seems to be enjoying one of the cheers being presented to the student body by the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders during an afternoon Freshmen basketball game



Row 1: Julie Mullenax, Brenda Ryder, Patricia Kellison, Miss Anna Lee Dean, Miss Mary Ogden, sponsors. Row Two: Janet May, Kim Alderman, Kim Gibson, Melissa Armstrong, Brenda Adams. Row Three: Sheila Sharp, Sue Monk, Cindy Shank, Kathy Underwood, Debbie Dean, Sharon Jordan, Kathy Irvine. Row Four: Melciah Phillips, Lois Hogan, Shelley Deske, Pamela Stone, Danni Coleman, Vicki Dean, Brenda Kinnison, Debbie Smith. Right: The PALS meet in Miss Dean's room to discuss plans for an upcoming activity.

Club Holds Pie-Throw

Front Row: Miss Anna Lee Dean (sponsor), Susan Scott, Julia Mullenax, Irene White, Virginia Armstrong, Gypsy Woodhouse, Mrs. Linda Stewart (sponsor). Second Row: Cindy Shank, Teresa Skerns, Anita O'aver, Melissa Armstrong, Donna Underwood, Kathy Underwood, Beverly Underwood, Sara McPeters, Renee Ferrig. Row Three: Joyce Hamrick, Brenda Ryder, Denise Seldomridge, Kathy Irvine, Melinda Crist, Sheila Ryder, Teresa Shearer, Patricia Keltison.

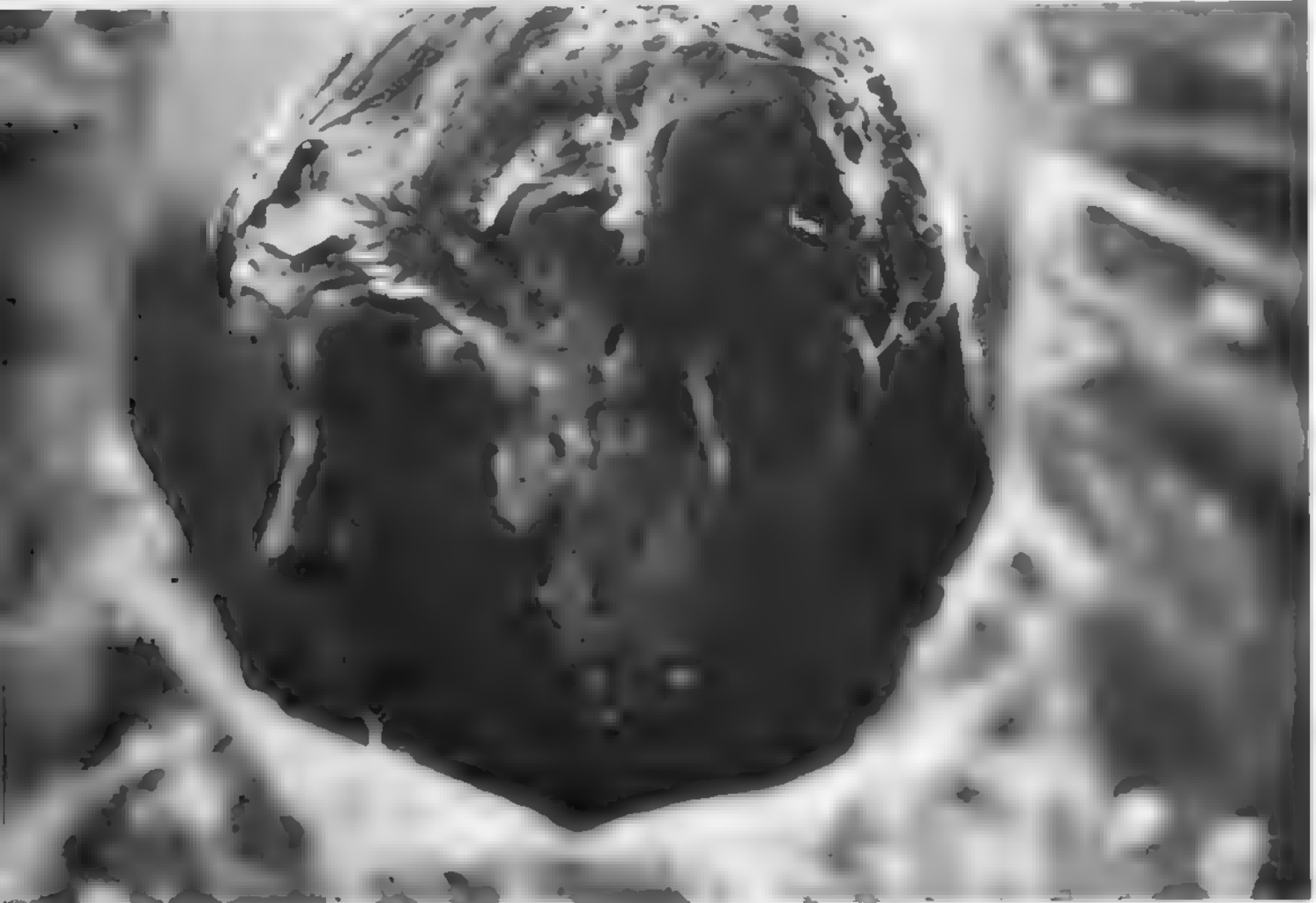


The Future Business Leaders of America sponsored activities to raise money for themselves, as well as charities, such as the March of Dimes. This money was raised by a pie throwing contest and bake sale, which were held during the month of February.

On March 29, the members traveled to Bluefield State College, to attend the annual Southern FBLA Conference. At this conference Julia Mullenax placed first in the poster contest. No other awards were won by PCHS students this year.

The FBLA club has 22 members, and 2 sponsors. They meet in Miss Anna Lee Dean's room during activity periods, and occasionally after school.

Vice-Principal, Glen Wade fails a valiant attempt at a stern look, when a member of the student body got their revenge by hitting him right where it hurts — in the face with a pie!



Association Of Gymnasts Present Shows

The Gymnastics Club is a group of 21 students organized for the purpose of doing gymnastic stunts for the personal experiences it provides, as well as the entertainment of others.

The gymnastic club was involved in two major activities during the 1979-80 year. In cooperation with the physical education classes, they presented an annual gymnastic show for the student body on the afternoon of March 27. The club also held a half-time show during an evening basketball game on February 29.

The group planned to present shows to the local grade schools and middle schools, but they were not assembled in time to make all the appearances, as previously planned.

Donna Hughes demonstrates one skill that can be learned in P.E. class—hula hooping with three hoops.





Left, the members of the Gymnastic Club await the opening of the show.

Row One: Mrs. Reta Rose, Mike Bond, Sara Oliver, Lori Waybright, Julia Mullenax, Andrea Winnberg, April Turner. Row Two: Julie McLaughlin, Donna Hughes, Marvin Sharp, Connie Foster, Chrissa Tyree, Byron Burgess, Rhonda Hunt. Row Three: Brenda Adams, Pam Copea, Brenda Kinnison, Lori Wilfong, Cindy Smith, Brenda Ricottilli, Kim Scott, Debbie Smith.



Rhonda Hammons, senior, walks on her hands for the student body during the annual gymnastic presentation.



Sidney Hartman helps Andrea Winnberg with a sumo, while Shoka Ryder and Perry Soult watch.



Explorers: FRONT ROW - Lisa VanReenen, Judy Lambert, Theresa Workman, Teresa Back. ROW 2 - David Fowler, Letitia Cochran, Ray Hiss, Kevin White, Jeff Back. ROW 3 - Mark Roberts, Greg Weimer, Tony Valencia, Kevin Gum, Mr. Don Fiegel.

Anticipation of the outcome of the Homecoming game keeps Greg Weimer, club member, alert.

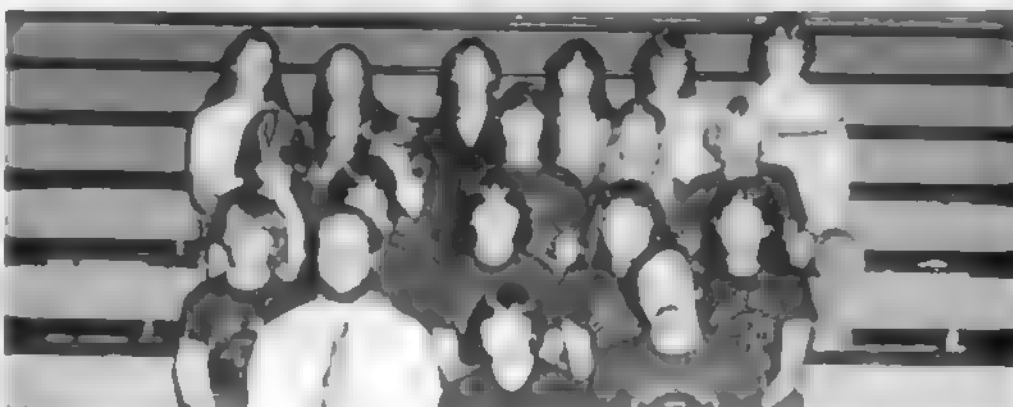


Activities give couples more time together. Letitia Cochran explains a simple procedure to David Fowler.

Money Campaigns Prove Successful

With hopes of going to Busch Gardens in the late spring, One Way Club members are continuously on the move. Selling candy, jewelry and sponsoring bake sales brings this goal closer. Christmas caroling took the club to Denmar State Hospital and W. Va. State Children's Home.

One Way Club: FRONT ROW - Mr. Johnson, Carol Brewer, Mr. Zeigler. ROW 2 - David Grogg, Dean Becker, Tammy Gragg, Dianne Bennett, Evelyn Long. ROW 3 - Kim Shinaberry, Emily Kinder, Denise Coleman, Julia Mullenax, Connie Foster. ROW 4 - Virginia Via, April Turner, Shelia Sharp, Brenda Ryder, Teresa Skeens, Kim Burgess.



Group Is Industrious

The PCHS band, under the direction of Mr. Charles Fauber, is an active part of the school. The group plays at football games, and occasionally, basketball games. They march in parades such as the Pioneer Days parade and the Marlinton Christmas Parade. The band also attends Band Day at WVU. They hold a Christmas, spring, and pops concert each year. Performances are given to students and to the public. The group participates annually in a band festival in Clarksburg. To finance the trip band members participate in a variety of fundraising activities. Often items such as magazines and mugs are sold by members to raise money.

A familiar sight during the spring is the band returning from the football field where they practice marching in preparation for the parade at Clarksburg.



Band member Bobbi Nottingham passes time by reading after the band performed in a parade during Pioneer Days in Marlinton.



FIRST ROW Elaine Kelley, Candy Harper, Teresa Shinaberry, Charma Roy, Karen Collins, Toni Beale, Karen Swiger, Barbara McNeel, Donna Beverage. ROW 2 Carol McNeill, Bonnie Starks, Scott Gibb, Mark Newkirk, Kenny Lantz, Jamie Burks, Sean Millener, Cindy Carr, Sherry Carpenter, Darlene Tyree, Debbie Nottingham. ROW 3 Rejetta Cassell, Kim Friel, Hank Behrens, Kim Scott, Ann Howsare, Jackie Sharp, Cindy Warner, Donna Gum, Kim Dean, Ronnie Hall. ROW 4 Jack Cummings, Bobbi Nottingham, David Grogg, Lon Waybright, Connie Foster, Maria Morgan, Cindy Mullens, Debbie Smith, Terri Dilley, Angie Pyles, Lorie Crut. ROW 5 Beth Luptak, Kim Shinaberry, Melinda Beverage, Spring Shurkey, Angie Hefner, Robyn Hileary, Addie Dunbrack, Joyce McKinney, Laura Combs, Laura Howell. ROW 6 Lisa VanReenan, Jenny Coleman, Melinda Wilson, Vera Wade, Jane Dilley, Brenda Ricotelli, Carla Hefner, Sabrina Long, Rhonda Hunt, Diane Adams, Sheila Willfong. ROW 7 Ricky Barlow, Ricky Carpenter, Scott Howell, Kim Burgess, Byron Burgess, Dea Becker, Tommy Shafer, Shelley Helmick.



A little rain couldn't dampen the spirits of the band at the Homecoming ballgame. Band members donned waterproof capes and carried on as usual.

The band was invited to West Virginia University during the fall to participate in a band day. The band performed at a WVU football game in Morgantown.



Mark Newkirk, Jamie Barks, and Ricky Mace — members of the PCMS band — pause for a chat after marching in a parade with the rest of the band at the band festival in Clarksburg. This year's festival was held May 1-3.

Musicians Give Concert

Many hours of practice are needed to perfect music for a concert. Yet, the band gives its time to perform several concerts each year.

Seven senior class members are active in the band as musicians and majorettes. They are Candy Harper, Carol McNeill, Vera Wade, Teresa Shinsberry, Elaine Kelley, Jackie Sharp, and Ronnie Hall.



The PCHS gym is often the setting for band concerts. Mr. Charles Fauber directs the band in its spring concert. This concert consisted mainly of popular music.

Twirlers Part of Band

The majorettes try to keep warm while they are not performing during the 1979 Homecoming ballgame. The majorettes were presented with flowers to wear during the game in celebration of the event.



The eight girls and two alternates who perform as majorettes are an integral part of the band. They perform at ball games and parades and play instruments during band concerts.

Junior majorette Charma Roy performs in the Pioneer Days Parade in Marlinton.



The Pocahontas County High School majorettes are FRONT ROW: Elaine Kelley, Candy Harper (head), Barbara McNoel, Donna Beverage. BACK ROW: Teresa Shinnberry, Charma Roy, Toni Beal, Karen Swager.



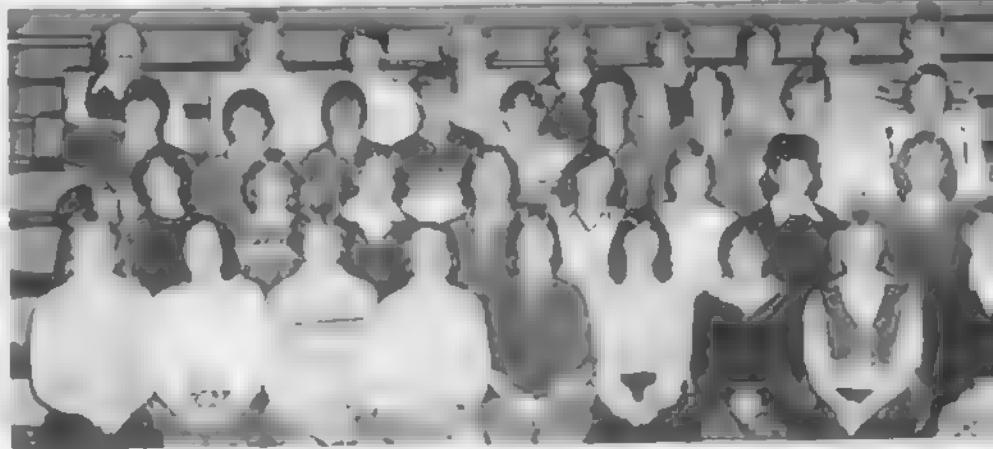
The alternate majorettes are Lisa VanReenan and Debbie Nottingham.

Vocalizers Are "Hot" At Live Performance

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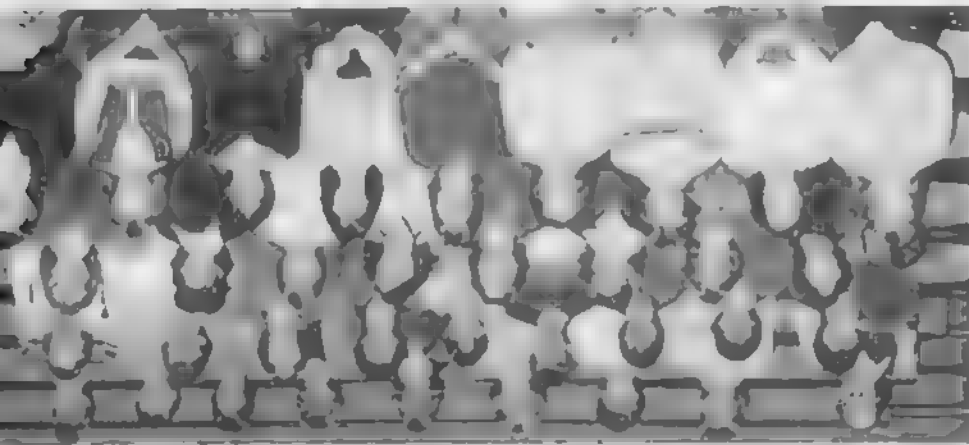
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The Pops Group performed in concert.

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The Pops Group performed in concerts held in conjunction with the band including the spring concert



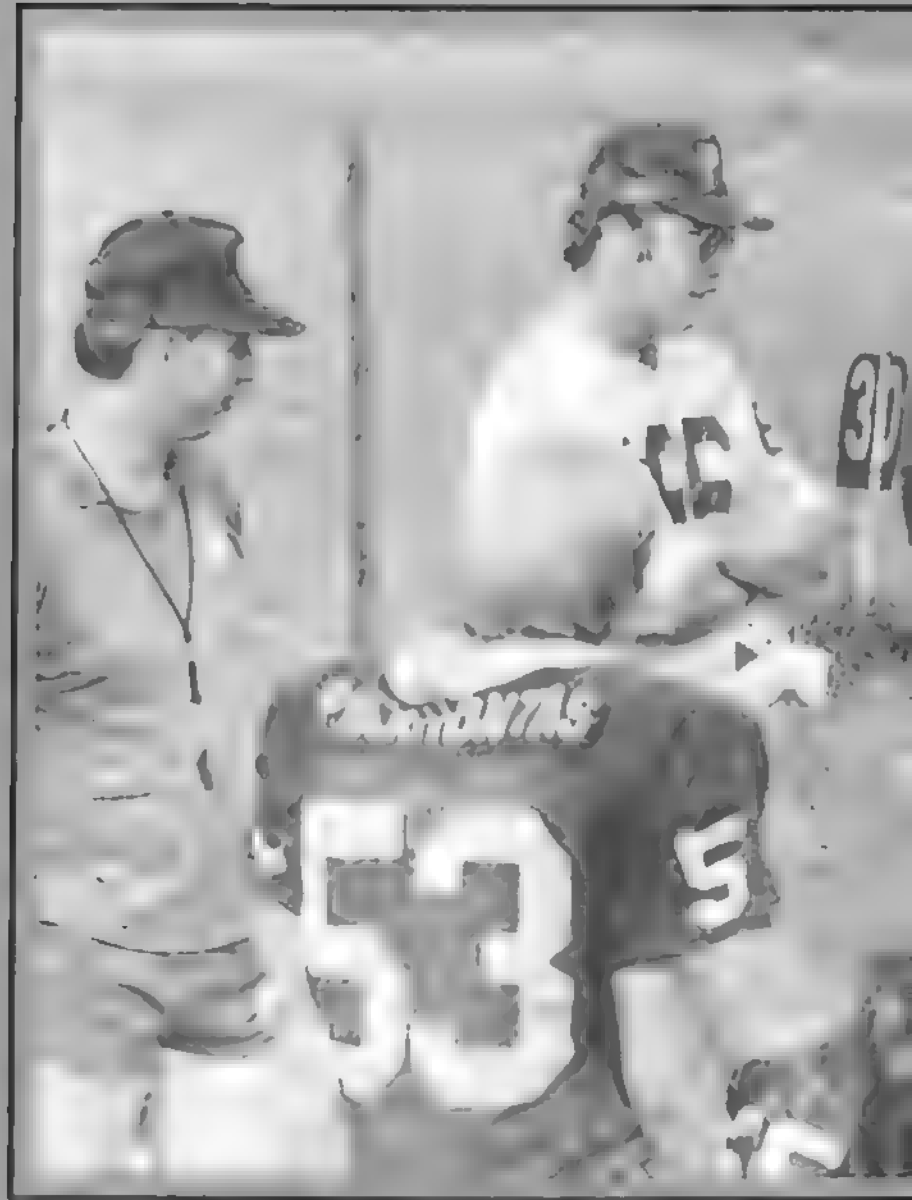
Sophomore Flaine Friel is the piano accompanist for the Pops Group. She had to learn to play each piece the musical group performed for concerts, workshops, and competitions.

Many hours of practice go into each concert in which the singing group participates. Much time is devoted to perfecting the pieces they plan to perform.



Pops Group members concentrate on the music they are singing at one of their many performances during the year.

During Spirit Week Charma Roy and the other Pops Group members dressed in 50's style clothing and performed for the student body.



Rank And File

As each day passes, we meet new people. Each has a separate personality and a distinct way of life. Yet every person is an essential and integral part of school life.

Years go by and a sense of accomplishment comes as we move from a freshman, to a sophomore, to a junior and finally to a senior. People scarcely known at one time become friends and acquaintances with whom both the good times and the bad are shared and to whom secrets and plans are revealed. The fears and foibles, mistakes and misunderstandings and even the everyday hassles soon become memories. And while dates of wars and deaths of kings are soon forgotten, thoughts of school life can be summed up in three words: It goes on.



'Taking Care Of Business'

The senior class officers have been busy collecting class dues, planning senior activities, and taking care of the business of the senior class since early in the school year. The elected officials of the senior class are Greg Friel, vice-president; June Taylor, secretary; Anita Oliver, treasurer; Tony Beverage, president; and Robert Simmons, representative.



Daniel Elliot Akers



Kimberly Ann Alderman



Teresa Kay Back



Cynthia Dawn Bennett



Lucinda Dianne Bennett



Eddie D. Bennett



Roberta Lee Bennett



Layton Hubert Beverage



Sharon Louise Beverage



Anne Campbell Burns



Jeffery W. Burns



Elmer Issac Buzzard



Pamela Jean Carden



Sara Margaret Crickenberger



Melinda Kay Crist



Randolph F. Cutlip



Debra Ann Dean



Angela Doreen Dunbrack



Renee D. Fertig



Harvey Lake Findley



Gregory Bryan Friel



John Michael Friel



James Michael Garber



Edward Lynn Gibson



Patrick Duane Gibson



Kevin D. Greathouse



Ronald George Hall



Rhonda Kay Hammons



Joyce Marie Hamrick



Candice Sue Harper



Lively Laughter

Happiness comes to everyone a different way. Some are happy when doing something for a special person. Others are happy when they see a smiling face. find that the long winter months are over and spring has arrived, or realize that a completed school day brings graduation one day closer. Left, Sam McNeel enjoys a joke while sitting in the library. Susan Vance, right, pauses during a lighter moment in journalism class. Susan was yearbook editor





Alvin R. Hise



Andrea Lynn Hughes



Ricky Lee Johnston



Couple Magic

Everything on the art came in couples, male and female, and that's the way it is at PCHS sometimes. One might see couples holding hands at assemblies, hiding in corners, walking each other to class, attending the Homecoming game and dance, going to other dances, going to the drive-in or theater on the weekends, and spending as much time together as they can. Left, Bobby Simmons walks Russ Ann Poling to one of her classes. Right, David Smith and Barry Allee, juniors, discuss plans for the Homecoming dance.



Sharon Jean Jordan



Susan Elaine Kelley



Patricia Lynn Kellison



Tony Lee Kelly



Willa Y. Kerr



Barbara Lynn Kisner



Judy Kaye Lambert



Kimberly Lynn Layman



Lisa A. Liptak



Evelyn Marie Long



Samuel Garland Mace



Vicky C. McCarty



Troy Allan McCoy



Allen McKenney



Samuel E. McNeel, Jr



Carol Ann McNeill



Sarah Jane McPeters



Barry Scott Millican



Sandra L. Moore



Kenneth Todd Morgan



Anita Sue Oliver



John Russell Phillips



Russ Ann Poling



Wayne Edward Pollard



Jeffery D. Pritt



Frances Rosalene Ray



Shirley Jean Ray

Gym Is The Place

The gymnasium is the place. The gym is used for many different things such as sports, concerts, plays, and a variety of other things. When the students unload from buses in the morning over half of them go to the gym to associate with friends. The stage is lined with people and all around the floor there are people standing or sitting while talking to friends. Below, Susie Monk, visits friends in the gym during activity morning.



Pausing To Remember

A friend can never be replaced.

When the special relationship of friendship forms between two people, their time spent together soon becomes memories. But what is time? Day and night, summer and winter or the striking of the clock are outward measures of time and not time itself. Time is often referred to as the life of the soul.

The measure of life is similar to that of time. Stopping to enjoy the wonders of nature and living by instinct instead of rule proves more

essential than how long living continues.

Yet when a friend suddenly dies, by natural causes or by accident, the initial response is shock. This state of disbelief gradually evolves into realization and the acceptance of death. Through day to day activities the awareness of someone's presence no longer being there leads to grief.

Though still in a stage of mourning, the rationalization that

life goes on is apparent. Memories of the good times shared come floating back. And although a double for a lost friend cannot be found, calling back yesterday and bidding time to return sometimes help to ease grief. Now, we can only regret that time did not allow them to achieve what they were capable of becoming. It is in this way the lives of Samuel A. Pondexter, Karen Sue Buchannon and Johnny G. Sharp, Jr. will be remembered



Jimmy D. Roberts



William Mark Rogers



Melanie Susan Rose



Marc N. Rosenthal



Carolyn Carlena Ryder



Daniel C. Ryder, Jr.



Maria Ann Ryder



Ruby May Ryder



Susan Gail Scott



Teresa Lynn Scott



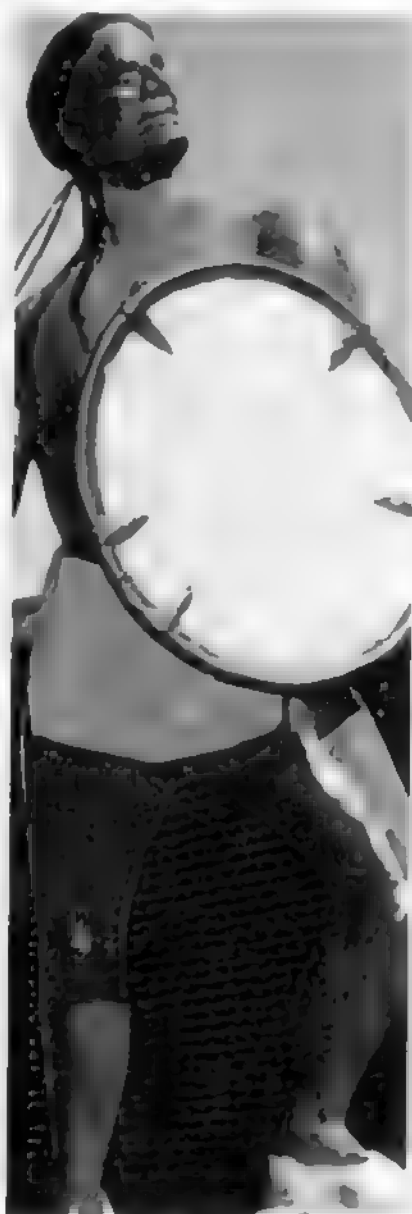
Tina Maria Scott



Denise Grace Seldomridge

Warrior Stolen

The 200 pound fiberglass Warrior statue that stood in front of the school was stolen sometime between Jan. 18 and 21. The hollow figure was bought with funds donated by the class of 1974, Lions Club, Lettermen's Club, and money raised by special activities. The original cost of the mascot was \$833.64.



Jackeline Lynn Sharp



Debra K. Sheurer



William R. Shelton II



Theresa Lynn Shinaberry



John Thomas Simmons

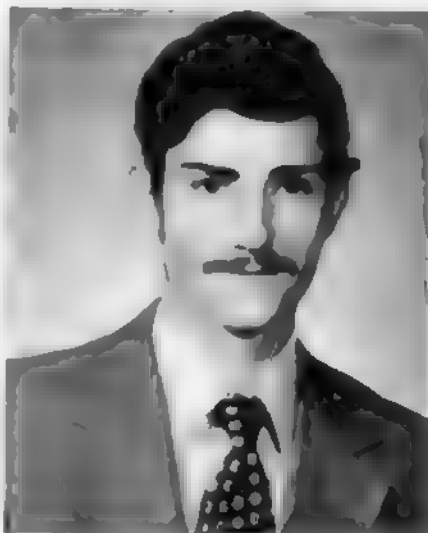


Robert Gray Simmons

Cruising Together

Friends are people who share feelings and problems. They are trusting and understanding and usually do things together. Thus, there are some people who are almost always seen together. For instance, if one saw Cindy Mullens, Jackie Sharp was sure to be around somewhere. And how about Susan Vance and Meg Crickenberger, or Brett Withers and Steve Van Reenen, Beth Liptak and Amber Ralston, Mark Jones and Danny Dolan, or Jan Irvine and Meleah Phillips, Robyn Hillery and Addie Dunbrack.

Below left Theresa Workman and Melanie Ross seniors, stop a moment to smile at the camera. Right Kenny Schmoorcraft and Perry Murphy, freshmen, have a friendly chat during a basketball game.



Leslie Hoil Underwood



Kathy Lynn Underwood



Susan Carroll Vance



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Vera Ann Wade



Richard Michael Walther, Jr.



Amy L. Warner



Pamela Lynn Wiseman



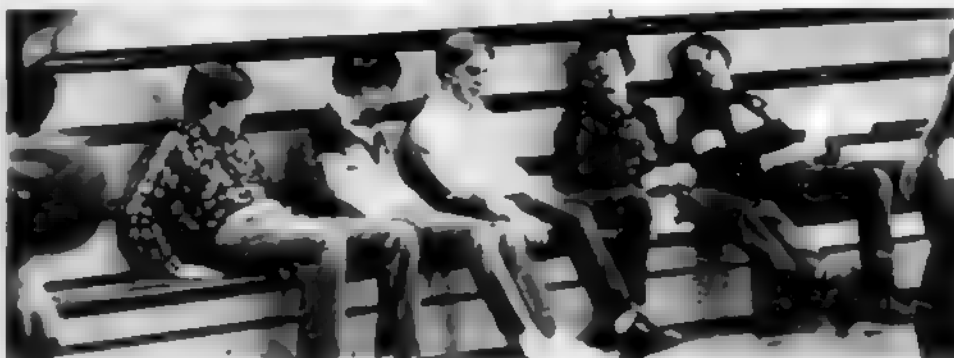
Theresa Mae Workman



Timothy Edwards Workman

Hushed Concentration

Whether, it is studying for a test or trying to work out problems, concentration is a main factor. It helps people through difficult times and decides what a person will do. Some of the things students concentrate on are sports, homework or helping a friend work out problems. Concentration comes easy for some people, but others have to work hard to achieve it. Left, Mike Garber concentrates at a club meeting while Clyde Perkins, right, debates a class discussion. Below, studies are overlooked as Scott Lambert tells a joke.



Helmick Heads Juniors

These calculating conspirators are the elected representatives of the junior class

The person with the money is, fittingly enough, Mark Jonese, the class treasurer. His co-conspirators are Brian Waslo, vice-president; Danny Dolan, secretary; and Sam Helmick, president.

These officers and the junior class sponsor a major event during the year. Months of preparation by this class culminate on May 9 in the form of Prom Night



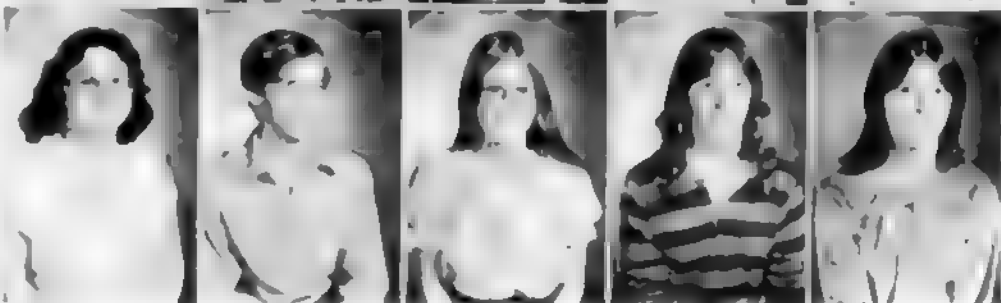
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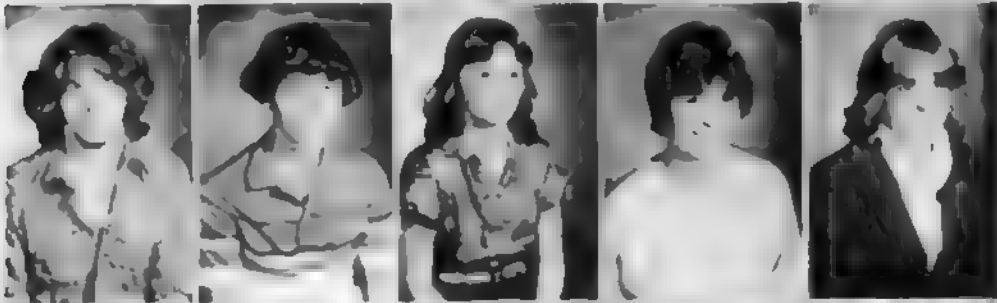


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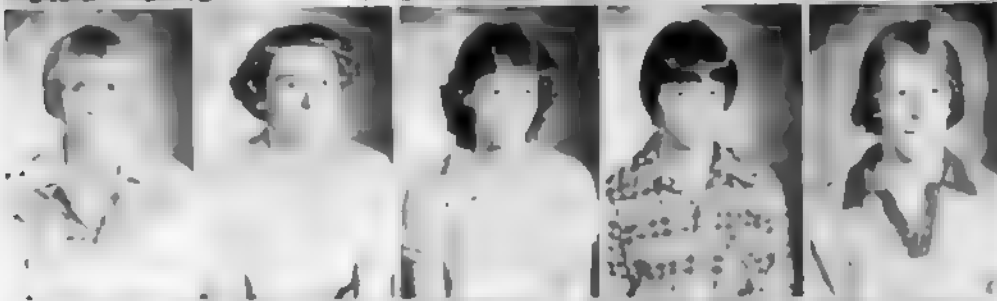




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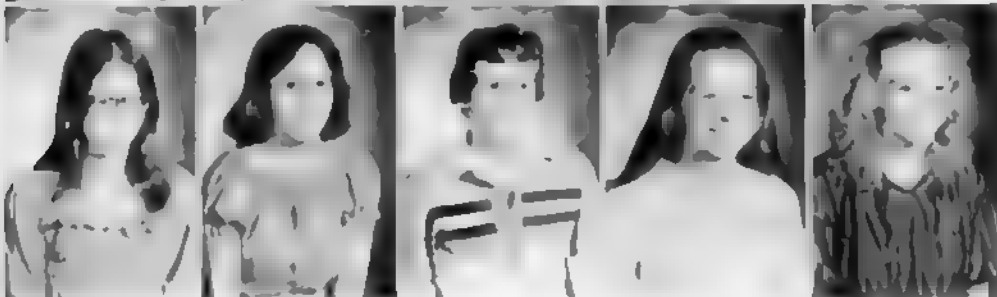
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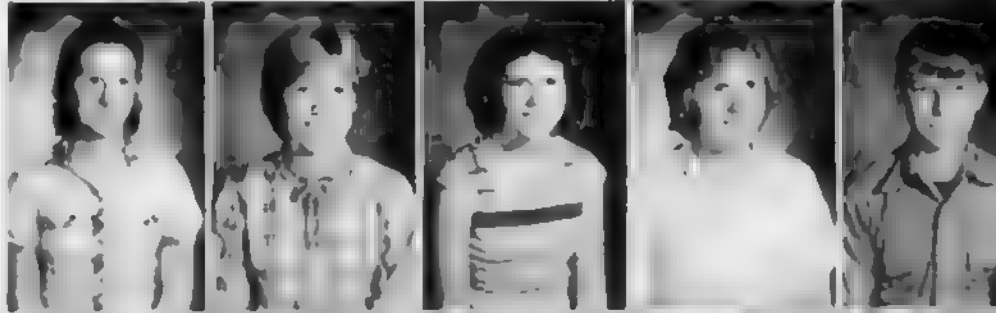


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Jane Hively
Laura Howell
Donna Hughes
Kathy Irvine
J.G. Johnson



Mark Joese
Earl Jordan
Lawrence Kiner
Brenda Kinnison
Sandy Kinnison



Terry Kramer
Bill Lambert
Camilla Lawson
Beth Liptak
Margaret Long



Beating Monotony

Monotony. It is hard to overcome as days come and go and classes fall into routine. But somewhere, someone helps time pass faster through a warm sense of humor or an everlasting energy.

Tracy Rabel, right, demonstrates the power of suggestion as Ronnie Simmons makes a move into the wrong territory.



Three o'clock ends the day's frustrating trials. Robert Deputy and Henry Oscar, right, prepare for the bus rush.

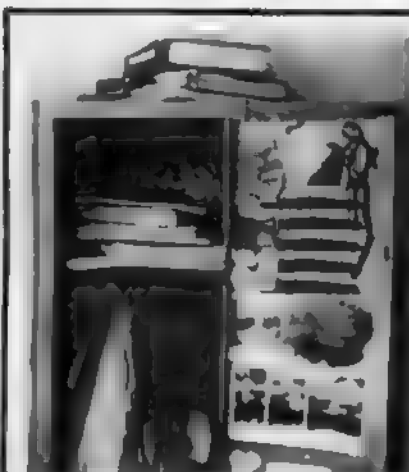




Chester Lovelace
Tammy Maddy
Janet May
Ricky Mayse
Rick McCarty



Morgan McComb
Laura McKenney
Barbara McLaughlin
Cheryl McLaughlin
Mike Meadows



Those Perplexing Lockers

They line the halls, come in two color shades — sea green and institutional green, both of which contrast to the pale yellow walls — and are the outlet for many frustrations. They are the lockers found in six of eight corridors at PCHS.

Locker numbers and combinations are located in the upper right corner of class schedules given out the first day of school. After the one dollar locker fee is paid, students are able to do essentially what they want with them.

Overcrowded is the description of a majority of lockers, upper left. With a sixth period class in the English wing and one's locker in the Vocational building, the possibility of stopping at the locker plus making it to class in three minutes is slim. Moving in with friends saves time but cramps extra school supplies into a space designed for one.



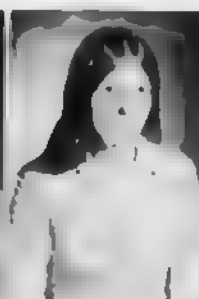
Free Time Allows Watching Of Others

People watching is a common way to spend free time. Mr. Joe Jones, custodian, is pictured at far right watching the gymnastics club on a Tuesday morning practice during club meeting period. In the picture at bottom right, Miss Peggy Smith, librarian, is shown keeping a watchful eye over Paula Burks, sophomore, a library science student.

People watching is not limited to humans, however. Fred, the dinosaur, is passing his free time people-watching in the gym in the picture at top right. Fred has temporarily escaped from his owner Anita Oliver, senior, on "Little Boy, Little Girl Day" which was a part of Spirit Week this year.



Sue Monk
Patty Moore
Maria Morgan
Arlene Morrison
James Morrison



Julia Mullenax
Cindy Mullens
John Murray
James Nicely
Debbie Nottingham





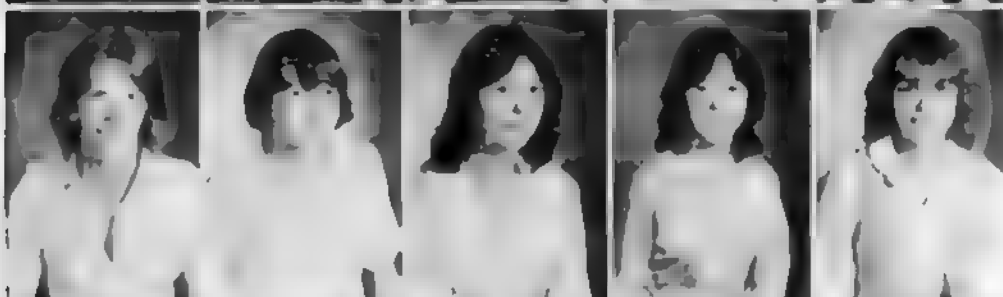
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Donna Parris



Clyde Perkins
Roy Perry
Jody Phillips
Meleah Phillips
Evelyn Pitt



Angie Pyles
Amber Ralston
Grace Ray
Gary Resnord
Mark Roberts



Danny Rose
Bruce Rose
Charma Roy
Brenda Ryder
Shelia Ryder



Susan Ryder
Larry Sharp
Margaret Sharp
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Teresa Shearer



Bobby Shelton
Sarah Shraaberry
Spring Shirley
David Smith
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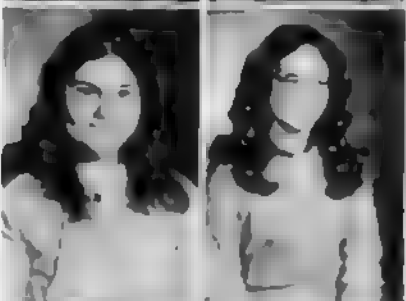
Karen Swiger
Joyce Taylor



Gwen Terry
Bernard Tutley



Leslie Turley
Donna Underwood



Ken Underwood
Barry Vrabie



Curtis Wade
Linda Walls



Expressions Can Tell All

A person's expression can often tell a lot about that person, but sometimes expressions can be misleading. Junior Jan Ervine, shown in the top photo, appears to be in a bad mood, but she is actually just "hamming it up" for the camera.

You can tell that a photographer in the dressing room is an unwelcome sight just by seeing the expression on senior Rhonda Hammons' face. The fact that Rhonda was holding, not wearing, her pants may have something to do with her sentiments.





Kenny Walther
David Walton
Donna Walton
Brian Waslo
Danny Waybright

Library Is Study Place

Shown in the picture at right is Karl Gartner, sophomore, a familiar figure in the library. Miss Peggy Smith, librarian, is helping sophomore Darlene Tyree in the picture at lower right.

Maria Morgan and Sprueg Shirkey, juniors, below, are examining a book at the annual Book Fair which is held in the library.



Irene White
Tonya Wiley
Barbara Wilfong
Gypsy Woodhouse
Kevin Workman

Officers Provide Guidance

One of the initial requirements of a sophomore class officer is to have a sense of foresight. The success of the 1981 junior-senior prom depends largely upon these four people. Their efforts and money-making activities, including the Christmas Ball on December 15 and the Easter Ball held March 28, provide a foundation which can be built on later.

Scrunched on top of lockers are secretary Brett Withers; Danie Coleman, president; Kim Dean, vice-president; and Ronnie Simmons, treasurer



Brenda Adams
Melissa Armstrong
Toni Beale
Ricky Bock
Dean Becker



Mike Bennett
Peggy Bennett
Ricky Bennett
Dallas Beverage
Donna Beverage



Dorothy Beverage
Michele Beverage
Bradley Biggs
Jane Biggs
John Barchfield





Mike Bond
Carol Brewer
Billy Brock
Johnny Brock
Carol Brockway



Kim Burgess
Paula Burns
Beverly Carden
Sherry Carpenter
Shirley Carpenter



Cindy Carr
David Carr
Pam Clutter
Letitia Cochran
Kim Cohenour



Danieth Coleman
Caren Corbett
Jack Cummins
Melody Curry
Cheryl Cutlip



Kim Dean
Larken Dean
Vicky Dean
Shelly Deike
Terri Dilley



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Ward Fister
Denise Fiza
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Gus Ethridge

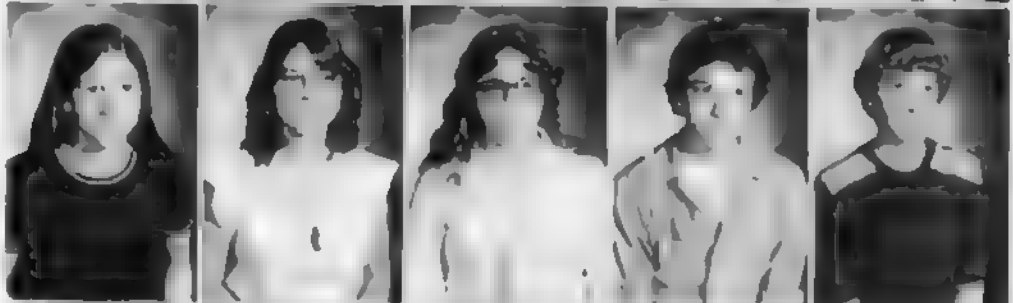
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 Connie Foster
 Elaine Friel
 Kim Friel
 Mike Friel



Mike Gafford
 Rick Gafford
 Karl Gartner
 Scott Gibb
 Kim Gibson



Sondra Goode
 Debbie Grimes
 Jenay Grimes
 Billy Gum
 Kevin Gum



Kevin Gum
 Max Gum
 Ross Hanes
 James Hanna
 Steve Hannah



Angie Helmer
 Paul Hill
 Robyn Hilleary
 Lois Hogan
 Patty Jeffries

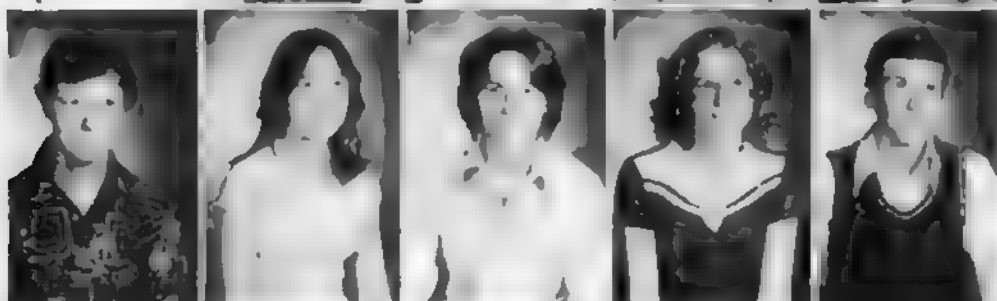


Russell Jesse
 Mark Johnson
 Steve Johnson
 Darrell Jordan
 Nancy Jordan





Farrell Kelly
Delmas Kincaid
Miriam King
Rayetta Landis
Wayne Lewis



Deana Ligon
Alessia Long
Kyle McCarty
Nancy McComb
Jerry McHenry



Cheryl McLaughlin
Julie McLaughlin
Frosty McNabb
Barbara McNeel
Scott Miller



Margaret Mitchell
David Morrison
Sam Morrison
Jon Mulenan
Kelly Mullenax



They Share

Generation gaps always exist between parents and teenagers during high school. Getting in touch and keeping lines of communication open is often the most difficult obstacle to overcome.

Breaking this barrier is Elaine Friel and her mother, far left, as they share a moment together. Carol McNeill and Laura Howell, left, discuss ways of uplifting spirits.

Frances Murray
Louis Murray



Mark Newkirk
Mark Norton



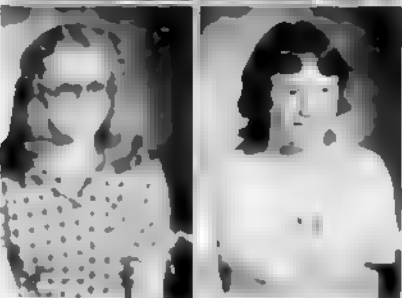
Bobbi Nottingham
Randy Nottingham



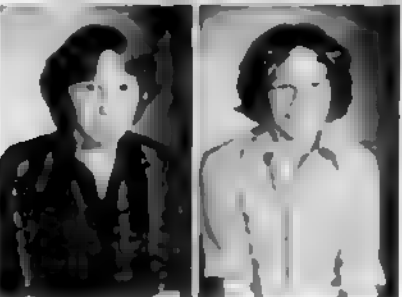
Sara Oliver
Charlotte Perkins



Sandra Peyton
Tammie Phillips



Cindy Pifer
Cahin Pollard



Furs Make Chill Bearable

Winter weather forecasts were predicting cold temperatures and heavy snowfalls throughout the eastern United States. But no one was prepared when on October 11, up to four inches of wet, heavy snow broke power lines, snapped trees and closed schools for two days.

With the early onset of cold weather, one of the most popular styles in winter outer-wear became fur and fur-lined coats. Below, Jane Sharp, sophomore, models her birthday present — a rabbit fur coat as Cindy Mullens and Ronnie Bennett admire it's design.





John Pritt
Tracy Rabel
Debbie Ramsey
Gertrude Ramsey
James Ramsey



Shelia Ratliff
Cahvin Ray
Johnay Ray
Molly Ray
Robert Reed



Kathy Rearode
Kenneth Rearode
Robin Robertson
Gerald Robinson
Joe Roy



Chad Ryder
Hubert Ryder
Mark Schaffner
Ellen Scott
Kyle Scott



Monroe Scott
Virgil Scragg
Billy Shafer
Cindy Shank
Drama Sharp

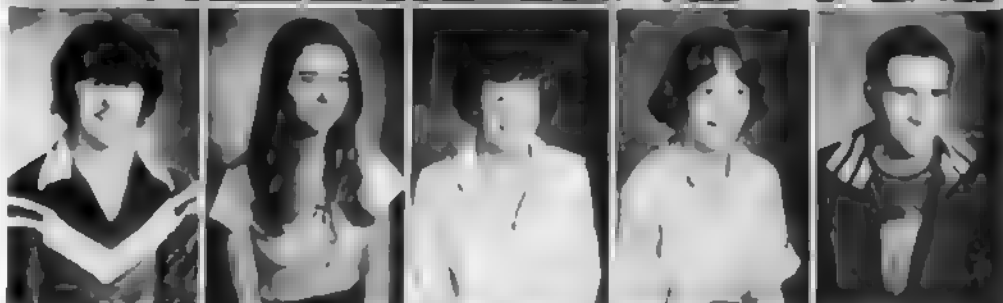


Jane Sharp
Rachel Sharp
Tommy Sheets
Arnold Shinaberry
Kim Shinaberry

Marshall Shinaberry
 Roxane Simmons
 Cindy Smith
 Debbie Smith
 Perry Soult



Tim Sparks
 Grace Stanley
 Jeanne Stemple
 Pam Stone
 Carl Taylor



Norma Taylor
 Tina Taylor
 April Turner
 Darlene Tyree
 Shelly Tyree



Tony Valencia
 Lna VanReenan
 Steve VanReenan
 Kenneth Varner
 Christine Delaney Walker



Dana Walls
 Frank Walton
 David Warner
 Ronald Warner
 Robert Warwick



James Waugh
 Greg Weimer
 Kevin White
 Shawn Wilder
 Carolyn Wilfong





Jane Wilfong
Leon Wilfong
Barry Williams



Kenny Willis
Brett Withers
Kay Woddell



Friends Gather

Memories of high school days would not be possible without friends. Through the hassles, the headaches and the everyday trials, the friendships established during the weeks of classes remain steady.

Friendships become major components of student life. On September 4, bleacher sections were assigned to each class in the gym. Students were to sit in their designated sections during assemblies. But all rules were made to be broken.

As pep rallies and assemblies passed, appointed regions were ignored and friends appeared in all sizes and ages.

"A person with whom you dare to be yourself," is Frank Crane's definition of a friend. Debbie Smith and Margaret Mitchell, upper left, share a few minutes and the latest news. Kevin Gum, above right, enjoys Tony Valencia's secret at a chilly football game. And with the shovel put aside, Greg Weimer, left, relaxes as Kevin Gum supports the tree.



Students Create Cafeteria 'Games'

Cafeteria food is one of the most talked about subjects around the school. Running to lunch has become a sports competition with Mr. Glen Wade, vice-principal, serving as referee. The early morning menu reading has become an audience participation event. Everyone joins in as "... rolls, butter and milk" is heard over the loud speaker. A game that could be called "Name That Ingredient" has been invented for days when vegetable soup is served in the cafeteria.

Pictured in the top right picture are students eating their mid-day meals in the cafeteria. Junior Sara Shinaberry is pictured at lower right eating lunch. Brenda Ryder, junior, is shown at right as she prepares to leave the cafeteria. Pictured behind her is senior Sharon Beverage.



Diana Adams
Tammie Alderman
Teresa Alderman
Jerry Almarode
Leah Arbogast

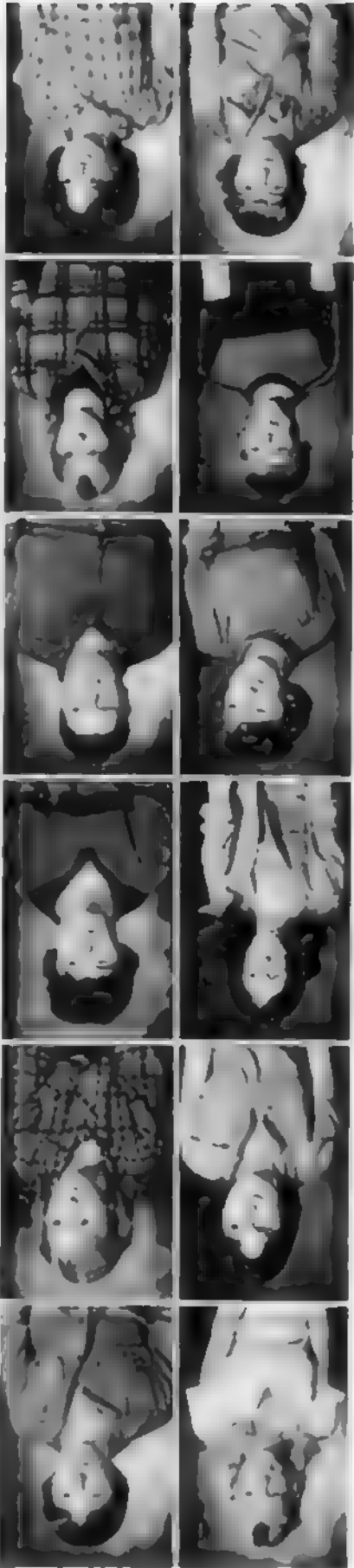


Tim Arbogast
Tammy Armstrong
Billy Avery
Jeff Bach
Martha Barlow



Jeff Baxter
Ronnie Beckwith
Karl Behrens
Beth Benge
Mark Bennett





William Hladoun
Terri Hladoun

David Grogg
Dana Grogg

Turna Greathouse
David Grogg

Robert Gifford
Shawn Gifford

Becky Evans
Lora Evans

Ronnie Evans
Shawn Evans



Contrary to popular belief, one of the main objectives of going to school is to learn. Studying also has a place at school, at least for some people. Junior Gary Kevode has found time at school to get some of his studying done. Harry Chocklett, freshman, has found other ways to occupy his time while at school. An electronic game has captured his attention in the bottom picture.

School Isn't ALL Work!



Rallies Exhibit Spirit

Senior cheerleaders Carol McNeill and Joyce Hamrick were caught in a classic pose at a football pep rally. Head cheerleader Irene White, a junior, pauses a moment to address the student body. The football team stands, rather inattentively, in the background.



Houston Hansden
Sheri Hatfield
Gene Hawkins
Cara Hefner
Carla Hefner



Shelley Helmick
Ronald Henderson
Kenny Hevener
Sandy Hickman
Dwana Hue



Scott Howell
Anne Howsare
Rhonda Hunt
Chris Jesse
Dottie Johnson

Greg Johnson
Chris Jordan
Jane Keiley
Merle Kerr
Emily Kinder



Brenda Kiner
Scott Lambert
Tammy Lambert
Kenneth Lantz
Leland Lawrence



Bobbi Lawson
Jimmy Lewis
David Liptak
Sabrina Long
Sandra Long



Time Out

Whether it involves taking a break from classroom work or stopping for a moment, lingering warrants the ability to continue through the day.

Chris Jordan and Ronnie Beckwith, below, watch a game as Doug Cutlip, far left, stops to repair a loose string. Lisa Liptak, left, watches cautiously.



Bells Create Frantic Dash

As the last sounds of the tardy bell fade away, classroom doors slam and roll calls begin. Unlucky students who do not reach their destinations in the allotted time find themselves in the office pleading for a note.

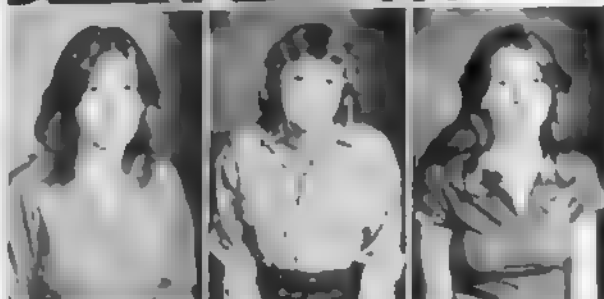
Doors become major goals to reach. Brett Withers stands in the never-locking gym door while Frances Murray awaits entrance into the equipment room.



David Mace
Karen Maddy
Lisa Mann



Debra McCarty
Mary McCarty
Carolyn McKenney



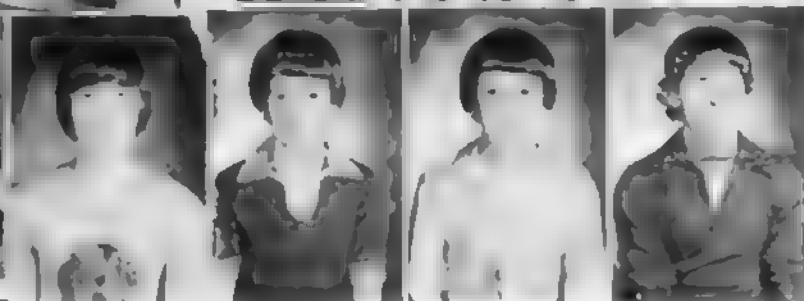
Joyce McKenney
Cheryl McLaughlin
Madelle McLaughlin



Patty McMillon
David Michaels
Heleen Miller



Sean Millner
Greg Munk
Amber Mullenax



Paul Murphy
Perry Murphy
Arnold Nelson

Standard Methods Bypassed

Ballots for the election of freshmen class officers are always the longest. But with the current energy shortage, Freshmen proved to be both conscientious and original.

Waiving mimeographed ballots, officers were nominated and elected by a stand-up vote at the freshman picnic.

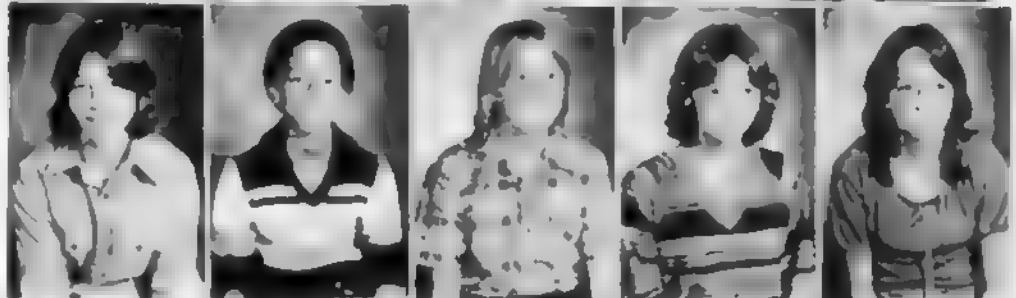
At right is Kim Scott, representative; Debbie Smith, secretary; Melinda Wilson, treasurer; Paul Murphy, vice-president and Perry Murphy, president.



John Nicely
Earl Ogden
Henry Oscar
Polly Oref
Wayne Perry



Donny Pinkerton
Tony Pondexter
Gertrude Pratt
Glenda Pyles
Delorn Queen



Marsha Ramsey
Jacob Ray
Brenda Ricottoli
Sara Riley





Susan Riley
Sam Rittenhouse
Darrell Roach
Travis Roach
Ronnie Rose



Tracy Ryder
Kenneth Schoolcraft
Gary Scott
Kim Scott
Ira Scott



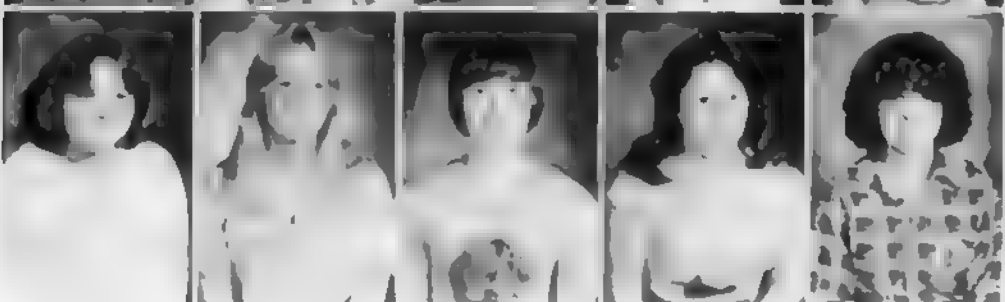
Tommy Shafer
Duane Sharp
Marvin Sharp
Tony Sharp
Chester Shifflett



Cheryl Shinaberry
Shelia Shinaberry
Keith Shoemaker
Todd Shreve
Cindy Simmons

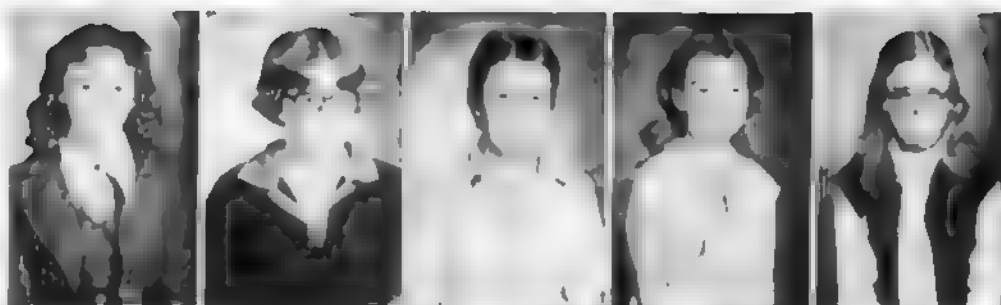


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Sherry Stanley
Bonita Starks
Shelia Stull
Herman Taylor

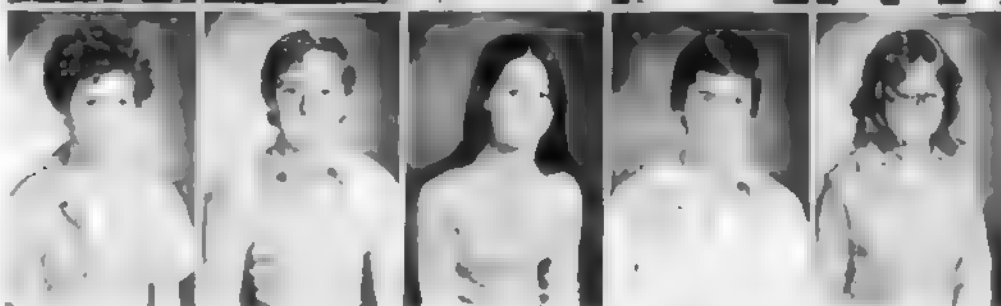


Rhonda Taylor
Roberta Taylor
Steve Tenney
Lillian Thompson
Sadie Turley

Christa Tyree
 Everette Underwood
 Eugene Vandevander
 Pam VanReenan
 Connie Varner



John Varner
 Lyndon Varner
 Virginia Via
 Benji Vrabie
 Sara Wagner



Skipping Is Faster

Freshmen become familiar with the daily routine of waiting as soon as they arrive for their first day.

Within twelve days after their arrival, Tony Pondexter and Troy Wilson, right, picked up on the trade of skipping the lunch lines as they weigh the advantages of getting faster service at the Freshman Picnic.

Anticipation of bells causes eternal waiting as seen by a lunch stage crew and Brenda Kinnison, below.



Popular Points Filled

School on the first impression has the feeling of open and sufficient space to accommodate masses of people. But when bells sound, wide hallways are crammed with people and bathrooms fill as the latest gossip is exchanged.

These points become popular and are the sites of a majority of information passing. In an excursion led by Rhonda Hammons and Teresa Scott, left, 24 girls squeeze into one stall to break a previous record of 15 as rain forces Braxton County band members indoors, below.



Jimmy Walker
Joe Walker
Cindy Warner
Donna Warner
Robbie Waugh

Lois Waybright
Sandy Weatherholt
Harry Wiley
Daron Wilfong
Sheila Wilfong

Melinda Wilson
Troy Wilson
Aaron Woodbell
Chuck Workman
Terri Workman

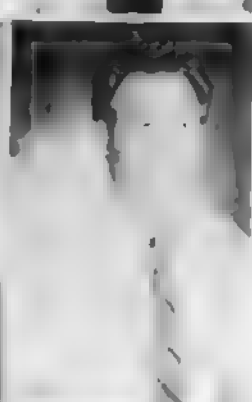
Frances Baldwin
Special Education
Steve Barksdale
Social Studies
Jane Beverage
Title I Reading Aide
Rebecca Brooks
Typing



Harold Crist
Chemistry, Physics
Anna Lee Dean
Clerical Bookkeeping
Charles Fauber
Band Director, Music
Donald Flegel
Forestry



Louise Flegel
English
Elmer Friel
Drivers Education
Gwendolyn Friel
Secretary
Richard Groseclose
Physical Education



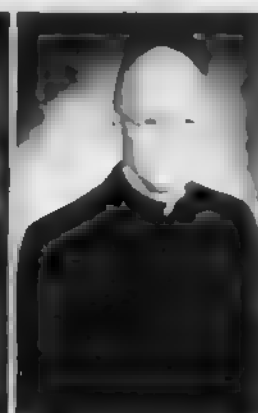
Lyla Howell
Vocational Counselor
Alice Irvine
Algebra I, II, III
Dolan Irvine
Agricultural Science
Allen Johnson
General Math





Teachers Assist

Orders are taken and given every day of the school year
At left Richard Pennypacker, football coach, shouts instructions
Below, Harold Crist, chemistry teacher, helps a student

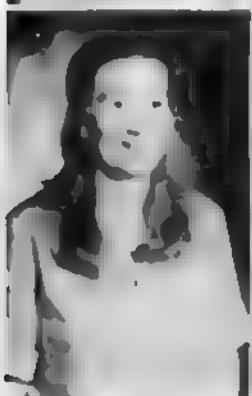


Joe Jonese
Custodian

Pat Keller
Social Studies

J. William Leary
Mathematics

Father Roy Lombard
Latin I, II



Genevieve Martin
English

Orr Lee McMann
Agricultural Science

Fay Moore
French, English

Mary Ogden
Distributive Education

Two Resign During Year

Each year new faces come and go among students and faculty at PCHS. At the beginning of the school year there were eight new teachers and before the closing of school, two of the faculty members, Mr. Richard Groseclose, physical education teacher and Mr. Donald Flegel, Forestry teacher, had left to take other jobs. The newest face among teachers this year is Mr. Michael Burns, forestry teacher.



Richard Pennypacker
Drivers Education

Elizabeth Rabel
Special Education

Charles Rexrode
Guidance Counselor

Reta Rose
Physical Education



Virginia Shafer
English
Janet Shank
Special Education Aide

Pam Sharpes
Biology

Robert Sheets
English



Peggy Smith
Librarian
Linda Snyder
Family Living
Linda Stewart
Secretarial, Shorthand
Quentin Stewart
Social Studies





Juergen Sumpf
Drafting, Drawing

Samuel Taylor
Carpentry

Richard Thompson
Welding & Cutting

Raymond Tracy
Sciences



Kathleen Trainor
Mathematics

Gladys Vance
Nurses Aide

Kenneth Vance
Principal

Sharon Vance
Home Economics



Berlin Vandevender
Electronics

Miriam Vanostran
Art

Linda Van Reenan
Home Ec. Clothing

Glen O. Wade
Assistant Principal



Grace Jane Wigal
Reading, Journalism

Arch Wooddell
Social Studies

Cora Lee Wyatt
Accountant

Richard Ziegler
Electricity

Behind Scene Workers

Not very often is recognition given to the people who are responsible for getting students to school on time each morning, no matter what the weather, or to those who work evenings and nights to keep that sparkle and shine throughout the school.

Pocahontas County is unusual in that all the high school students are transported by bus. Some spend as much as an hour and a half riding a bus up to 40 miles to school.

Our night custodians are the ones who have to work evenings and nights to scrub floors, wash blackboards, and to pick up the mess that is left behind after the students are gone.

Right: The bus drivers are: front row: Leroy Sharp, Kenny Cutlip, Gary McKenney, Joey Smith, Wallace Dorn, Jerry Matheny. Back Row: Bill Wyatt, Neil Cassell, Dale Armstrong, Greg Irvine, "Whitey" Lovelace.



Above: Night shift custodians, Mrs. Sharon Carpenter and Mr. William Gallaher, take time out from regular chores to pose for the camera. Right: Mrs. Dolly Norton and Mr. James Ryder, evening shift janitors pose briefly to pose.



They're here early in the morning to prepare breakfasts for students who arrive with empty stomachs, and they're sometimes here late to prepare these special banquets everyone enjoys so much. In between times they serve us our lunch. They're our friends, the cooks.



After serving lunch and making sure the dishes were done, cooks Mae Corbett, Kathryn Simmons, and Nancy Kirk, take time out to take care of other matters. Below is Mr. David Sheibley, Food Services Supervisor.



Cook Sharon Turner, who is filling out monthly cafeteria reports above, seems to be very glad to see the photographer stop by.